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AGES OF STATESMEN.

The United States Senate Is Getting Younger Every Year.

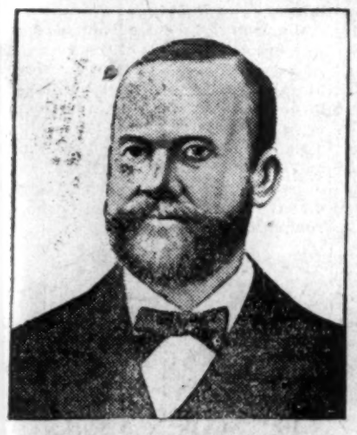
Pettus, of Alabama, Now the Only Member Over Eighty—Biographical Facts Concerning the New House.

In spite of all efforts to the contrary, the United States senate seems to be growing more youthful. Thirteen years ago a careful computation was made, from which it appeared that the average age of its members was 60 years. There were then but eight who were less than 50 years old, and one who was less than 45. To-day the average age is 59 years and four months, and in a slightly larger senate there are 14 men instead of eight, who are less than 50, and of these eight are less than 45, according to the Boston Transcript.

This difference is doubtless due to the new states which have come into the union since that time, whose political leaders were naturally younger men. The Delaware overturn has also given the senate two youthful members. It is almost a rule that the young states have young senators.

Only one senator is more than 80, Mr. Pettus, the junior senator from Alabama, who was born in 1821. Fourteen are between 70 and 80, 29 are between 60 and 70, and 32 between 50 and 60. The 15 who have crossed the three-score and ten line include both senators from Alabama and Connecticut, besides Messrs. Teller, Allison, Frye, Hoar, Gibson, Stewart, Platt, of New York, Quay, Bate, Proctor and Cullom.

The new house contains not only a large representation of new men, but among them many young men who are apparently beginning a political career of great promise. This general youthfulness is shown by the number of western states which are in considerable part represented by native sons. Francis M. Eddy, a member of the last congress, was the first man Minnesota had ever sent to congress who was born within the limits of that state. This time another of the nine representatives is a native Minnesotan, having been born there in 1860. Of the other representatives two were in Pennsylvania, one each in Ohio, Illinois, Massachusetts, Sweden, Ohio, and Wisconsin. One of the senators was born in Indiana and the other in Norway.



HON. GEORGE C. PERKINS.
(California Statesman Who Is Considered Beau of the Senate.)

California for the first time has four representatives born in that state, the oldest of whom is not yet 44, while the youngest is 31. All the older men of the delegation came from the east, one from Wisconsin, two from New York, and a fourth from Scotland. Senator Perkins was born in Maine and Senator Baird in Pennsylvania. Of the two senators and the three representatives from Colorado, which has been a state since 1876, none was born there. The three Idaho "statesmen" were born in Illinois, Pennsylvania and Indiana respectively.

It is a singular thing that in so old a community as Iowa, of the 11 representatives and two senators but three were born in that state, and one of them Mr. Hedge, of Burlington, relates that he was born in the territory of Iowa, June 24, 1844. Allison came from Ohio and Dolliver from West Virginia. Hull and Hepburn were also Ohioans. The four representatives and two senators of Maine were all born in that state. In fact, in most of the old states, native sons seem to be preferred. Both Massachusetts senators and ten of the 14 representatives were born in Massachusetts.

But one representative of Nebraska was born in that state, Mr. Hitchcock of Omaha, and he is but 44 years old. The Nevadans all migrated there, and, according to the census returns, they are among the very few who remain. Both North Dakota senators were born in Illinois, and of the South Dakota senators one came from New York and the other from New Hampshire. Texas exhibits among the southern states the greatest evidence of being a new community. Neither of its senators was born in the state, and but half of its representatives. The young state of Utah has a native son in the senate in the person of Reed Smoot. None of the representatives or senators of Wyoming or Washington was born in the state he now represents. This shows how much of the country is

A CALL FOR A NATIONAL NEGRO-SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

In Obedience to a Resolution Unanimously passed at the Ninth Annual Convention of the Afro-American League of the State of Pennsylvania held at Harrisburg, Aug. 11th and 12th, 1903.

We hereby issue a call for a National Negro Suffrage Convention to be held in Washington, D. C., Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 14th and 15th, 1903.

PURPOSE:

To devise and put into operation such means as will break up Southern Disfranchisement and preserve the full and equal civil and political right of the American Citizen

Liberty is the breath of life. It is the heritage of every American citizen however lowly "Eternal Vigilance," the price of liberty must be exercised by every citizen and every race that would be free. For freedom we have given our lives upon fields of battles have christened our citizenship in a baptism of blood, and have marched through the gates of death to reach this priceless boon. And yet the sacrifices, which have placed freedom and citizenship in the hands of every other man within the confines of this great country are not sufficient to keep Suffrage and Citizenship within the grasp of the American Negro "to the manner born" an American among Americans. We do most emphatically declare:—

1. That the time is here when the Negro of this entire country must make organized effort for the maintainance of the Negro Suffrage in every State of the Union.

2. That the open and daring attack upon the 14th and 15th Amendments by the Carmacks, Hardwicks, Williamses and Vardamans, is but the return of the Slave Power of the South, which having by illegal enactments disfranchised the black men of the South, now boldly and arrogantly seeks to enslave the Negro of the North, East and West.

3. To meet the schemes and politi- intrigues of these nullifiers of the Constitution, these men would destroy Negro citizenship, and bring about peonage both civil and political, we must gather in National assemblage, and use the political power which we now possess in self-defense to the end that the slavery of the South may be abolished, and that slavery in the North may not come.

APPORTIONMENT OF DELEGATES.

We recommend that the number of the delegates from each state be equal to the number of congressmen from said state.

Robert J. Nelson, President
A. A. League of Pa.
F. L. Jefferson, Secretary,
A. A. League of Pa.

For further information apply to
Jas. H. Hayes, Attorney-at-Law,
Washington, D. C.

October 16th, 1903.

All delegates when elected are directed to send credentials to the District of Columbia Local Suffrage League
Rev. S. L. Corrothers, Pres.
Wash. Suff. League.
W. Calvin Chase, Ch'm Ex. Com. Wash. Suff League.
L. M. King, Sec'y, Wash. Suff. League.

THE MINISTERS UNITED.

They Meet and Endorse the Suffrage Movement.

At a full meeting of the Washington Suffrage League, held in Shiloh Baptist Church on Monday of the Baptist and all other denominations, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, God hath put it in the hearts of some of the most influential brother ministers to cry out against the political slavery, peonage, murders and unhuman outrages to which the Negroes of the South are subjected—a condition more degrading and unchristian than the Egyptian bondage,—and whereas, certain legislation, the object of which is to break up the disfranchisement of the South is now pending before Congress introduced by Congressman Dick of Ohio, —and whereas, we believe that the powerful influence of the Negro ministry, prayerfully directed, can do much especially in the North to hasten and encourage this legislation, so needed by our suffering people in the South—and whereas we believe that every possible effort ought to be put forth by this conference, to arouse and awake an interest in the Suffrage convention to be held here in Washington, Dec. 14th and 15.—and whereas, the local Suffrage league has asked the personal and collective attendance and aid of the District ministry in the coming meeting of the Suffrage convention,—and whereas, we believe that a circular letter sent out by a committee representing all denominations setting forth:

(1) Importance of the suffrage convention.

(2) A pressing invitation of attendance, especially to our Northern brothers.

(3) A reminder that our brothers in the South are helpless and that they are looking to the North for assistance.

Therefore be it resolved:

(1) That we, the members of this conference, will do all we can both in the pulpit and out for the success of the Suffrage convention.

(2) That in addition to the circular to be sent out, that we pledge ourselves to use our individual influence, by uniting and other wise to secure the attendance of our brother ministers of the North.

(3) That Revs. Taylor, Howard and Lee are hereby approved as the committeemen representing the Baptist Brotherhood of the District to act with such other brethren of the various denominations as may be named for this work.

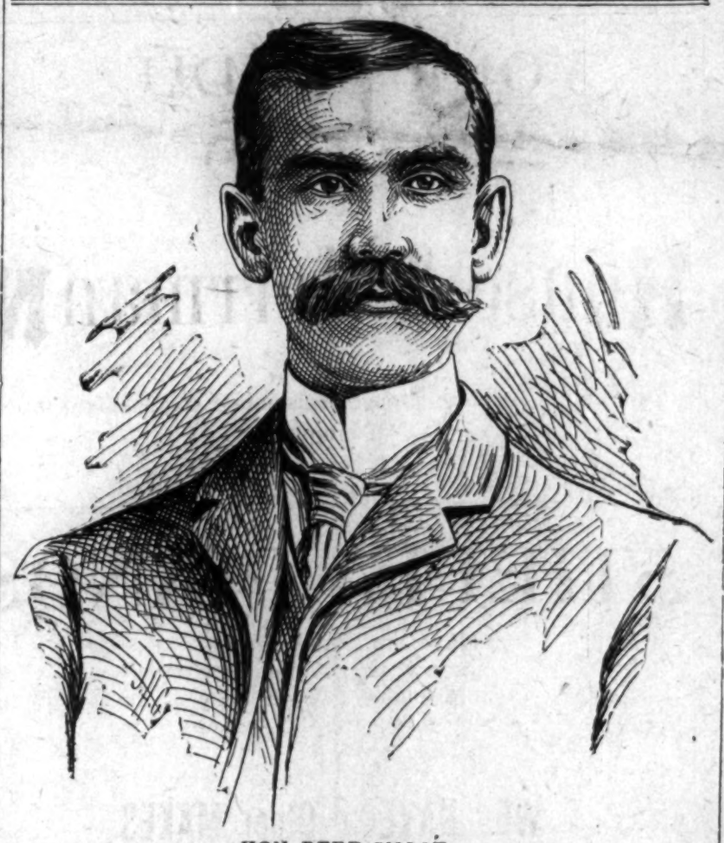
THE RACE ISSUE.

Editor of the Bee:

In the issue of the *Post* of Nov. 16th, in the discussion of "Race Prejudice and Its Cause," the *Post*, while endorsing the method of adjustment of the race question as advocated by the *Boston Transcript*, and claims that method as its own doctrine, is grievously at error when it attempts to place the responsibility.

The *Post* sarcastically remarks: "An illiterate and worthless Negro is disfranchised in some Southern State, and lo! the race is outraged and insulted. An ill-behaved black rowdy is refused admission to some theatre, restaurant or railway coach, and at once the dignity and honor of the race has been assailed."

What the *Post* has to say about the whole race being "insulted," and its "dignity" and "honor being "assailed," when an illiterate and worthless Negro has been disfranchised in "some" Southern State, and "some" black rowdy refused admission to a theatre, restaurant, or railway coach, is not a true statement of the case or the situation as it is at all, and the *Post*, as well as the public, well knows it! What intelligent Negroes and conscientious white men find fault with is that, not only is the illiterate and worthless Negro referred to disfranchised, "in some Southern State," and the "black rowdy" refused admission to a theater, restaurant or railway coach, but the disfranchisement is general, comprising almost every Southern State, and the discrimination is directed against the entire race—the intelligent, the worthy and the refined—while the illiterate, worthless white rowdy is immuned from these persecutions. There is not only a discrimination in the formation of the laws, but a wanton and studied discrimination in their interpretation and application.



HON. REED SMOOT,
Against Whom Sham Reformers are Making a Figdt.

The *Post* contends that intelligent Negroes, as a rule, identify themselves with crime and criminals by forever taking the part of the rowdy or the criminal. As illustration and proof of this assertion, it mentions the case of the shooting of the two policemen on the night of November 13th, by the desperado, Charles Smith, and gleefully asks: "What followed? Every negro in the crowd that gathered took the part of the criminal, and arranged himself against the law and clamored for reprisal."

As to that occurrence, I will state that the *Post's* version is all wrong. I was one of the negroes, who happened to be in the crowd, and was an eyewitness of the whole affair. I was almost directly in the pathway of the outlaw as he fled. I was at least one of those present who did not take the part of the criminal, nor was there any general demonstration on the part of the negroes present, although the treatment accorded the criminal by the young white men present was most merciless. Read the *Post's* own account of what occurred: "All the way toward the patrol box, the negro was subject to an unmerciful beating, everyone within reach striking or kicking him." The most of this occurred while the fellow was under arrest at the patrol box. I deny that intelligent negroes, as a rule, have any disposition to shield criminals, or identify themselves with crime.

CAUSE OF RACE PREJUDICE.

There can be no effective remedy for race prejudice without an intelligent understanding of the basic cause. I have made the increasing race prejudice in America a special study for years. I have studied it from a scientific or psychological standpoint, from a standpoint of color and from a standpoint of race, and, whatever the course of reasoning employed or direction of the investigation, I have been able to arrive at but one conclusion, viz: that the increasing racial antipathy, now so manifest in the United States, has its animation, not from fear of negro domination, not because of a deteriorating condition of the moral, educational and material worth of the negro, we notice that the more wealthy he becomes, the more moral or the more refined, the more intense becomes the prejudice. American race prejudice has its life and growth in the *fear of social intermingling*, and hence *intermarriage*, for, if there is anything that will make the average Southerner lie awake at night, or go a gunning, it is this bug-bear of social intercourse. My belief in this view was never more strengthened, if not confirmed, by an article in the *Outlook* for October, written by an Ex-Confederate General, Mr. William Baxter Poe of Raleigh, N. C., under the caption, "Negro Life in Two Generations." Mr. Poe makes mention of two negroes as belonging to the first generation—the first one, John Chavis whom he describes as being full-blooded, a teacher, Presbyterian, a graduate of Princeton, Latin and Greek scholar, and who had for his classical school, the best white people of North Carolina, including a former Governor and Hon. W. P. Mangum, former President of the United States Senate. The second one, Ralph Freeman, a Baptist preacher, whose white brethren of the denomination purchased his freedom, a coal black Anson County North Carolina Negro, was received as a guest in the best households. "But, says Mr. Poe, negroes of like talent would not now be treated with such consideration. Then, *slavery* stood at an immovable bar to social equality or intermarriage, now, race purity must be safe-guarded by *other* methods." Thus he lets the cat out of the wallet.

The "other methods" referred to by Mr. Poe, of course means the North Carolina methods, the South Carolina methods, the Mississippi methods, the Louisiana methods, the Virginia methods, and methods now being contemplated in our neighboring State of Maryland—the jim crow car, disfranchisement and lynch law.

Race prejudice has its growth also in the blatant vaporings of crafty politicians, who find in it a means of solidifying the ignorant whites for political purposes. Of course, there are other attendant or agravating causes—such as race or color, and jealousy and competition with white workmen in the industrial world. But this is secondary.

THE NEGRO'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR RACE PREJUDICE.

The Negro's responsibility in this regard has been merely a passive one. He has not sought social intercourse. He does not desire it. He thinks less about this subject than about any other which affects his manhood. He loves his own women and home, and prefers them. But he does wish, he does seek and will insist on nothing short of equal public privileges, and equality under the law, as affects his civil status. What he most objects to are discriminatory laws. Hard though it would be, he is willing to submit to submit to discrimination in public travel, and to any qualification affecting the elective franchise, providing the qualification required is uniform, and there is equal interpretation and application of the laws. If the law says the ignorant shall not vote, let it apply alike to the ignorant white man, as well as the ignorant black man.

JOHN T. C. NEWSOME.

"Are you the boy that's been throwin' stones at my chickens?"

"Oh, no, ma'am. I'm the boy that throws stones at the boys that's after your chickens."—Chicago American.

How She Tells.

"Faith, Mrs. O'Hara, how d'ye till thim twins apart?"

"Aw, 'tis aisy—I sticks me finger in Dinnis' mouth, an' if he bites I know it's Moike."—Harvard Lampoon.

KEPT IT VERY DARK.

An Important Secret Regarding a Good-Looking, But Not a Good-Seeing, Horse.

A well-known Philadelphia man who is a lover of fine horseflesh, saw a fine buggy horse which he thought he wanted. He located the owner, and asked the price. "One hundred dollars," was the reply. After looking the animal over and trying her speed, he concluded it was a good trade, and at once wrote out a check for the amount. The next day he found that his mare was blind, but this did not hinder her speed or detract from her general appearance. He drove the animal for several weeks, and succeeded in attracting the attention of another lover of horses, who made a proposal to buy.

"Well," said the driver, "I gave $100 for her, but I'll let you have her for $125, if you want to buy."

After looking the animal over, and taking a short drive behind her, the man decided to buy. He paid the money and took the mare. When the animal was unharnessed the first thing she did was to run against a post; then, by way of emphasizing the



"WELL, SHE'S STONE BLIND."

fact that she was blind, she fell over a barrel. The next day the buyer came back with blood in his eye.

"Say, you know that mare you sold me?" he began. "Well, she's stone blind."

"I know it," replied her past owner with an easy air.

"Well, you didn't say anything to me about it," said the purchaser, his face red with anger.

"Well, I'll tell you," replied the other; "that fellow who sold her to me didn't tell me about it, and I just concluded that he didn't want it known."

Bank for Needy Workmen.

A city bank, for the benefit of needy workmen, is to be established in Christiana, Norway. They will loan sums up to about $25, at an annual interest of from three and a half to four per cent. It is intended to check the rapacity of pawnbrokers, whose rates of interest are sometimes as high as 25 per cent.

SECRET OF RADIUM HEAT.

Lord Kelvin Suggests It May Be Supplied by Ethereal Waves—Illustrates His Theory.

What Prof. C. V. Boys termed "the miracle of radium" has naturally received much attention in London scientific circles. At a recent meeting of the science branch of the British association Lord Kelvin, in a paper which he read, made an interesting suggestion in connection with its perpetual emission of heat at, according to M. Curie's calculation, a rate of about 90 centigrade calorics per gramme per hour.

He said that if the emission of heat at this rate went on for 10,000 hours there would be as much heat as would raise the temperature of 900,000 grammes of water one degree centigrade. It seemed utterly impossible to Lord Kelvin that this would come from the store of energy lost out of a gramme of radium in 10,000 hours.

It seemed, therefore, absolutely certain that the energy must somehow be supplied from without. He suggested that ethereal waves might in some way supply energy to radium while it was emitting heat to matter around it.

Lord Kelvin illustrated his theory by the following comparison: Suppose a piece of white and a piece of black cloth, hermetically sealed in similar glass cases, were submerged in similar glass vessels of water and exposed to the sun. The water in the vessel containing the black cloth would be kept very sensibly warmer than that containing the white cloth.

Here the thermal energy was communicated to the black cloth by waves of sunlight and was given out as thermometric heat to the water in the glass around it.

Thus through the water there was actually an energy traveling inward in virtue of the waves of light and outward through the same space in virtue of thermal conduction.

Lord Kelvin suggested that experiments be made comparing the heat emission from radium wholly surrounded with thick lead with that found in the surroundings heretofore used.

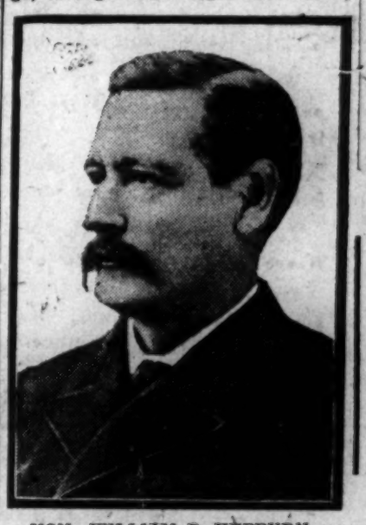
THEY ARE AT PEACE.

All Rancor Between Cannon and Hepburn Wiped Out.

Iowa Man Will Be Republican Floor Leader and Speaker's Personal Representative — Old Wounds Healed.

The prediction that Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, would be the floor leader of the republicans second in importance to Mr. Payne, of New York, who secured his position by right of his seniority, was fulfilled, the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that those who saw some of the stormy scenes of the last two sessions of the congress and noted the bitter warfare waged between Messrs. Hepburn and Cannon were astonished at the scene on the opening day of the session, when the deep-voiced Iowan rose in his place to nominate Mr. Cannon for speaker. All of the bitterness and rancor and keen rivalry between the two men had apparently been wiped out.

It was done during the past summer. So effectually was it done and so sincere are the two men in their reconciliation that Mr. Hepburn is acknowledged to be the choice of Mr. Cannon and his personal representative on the floor of the house. Close to him in importance in this relation will be Representative Hemenway, of Indiana. Mr. Hemenway will occupy a commanding position as head of the committee on appropriations. He is not, however, gifted with that peculiar ability as a parliamentarian that Mr. Hepburn possesses. Neither is he possessed of so sharp a tongue as the experienced Iowan commands. As the representative of the speaker and the champion of his policy and wishes on the floor of the house, it is expected that Mr. Hepburn will be entirely able to cope with any antagonist which the minority can bring forward. For a year previous to the last summer just closed, Mr. Cannon and Mr. Hepburn did not speak, even though they brushed past each other in the house aisles and capitol corridors. Mr. Cannon wanted a man of just the qualities possessed by Mr. Hepburn as his floor representative. He let friends of Mr. Hepburn know and at the same time let it be known that he was ready to smoke the pipe of peace. When the two men met informally, through an arrangement made by



HON. WILLIAM P. HEPBURN.
(Floor Leader of the Republican Majority in the House.)

mutual friends, they discovered that they had no serious distrust and hostility. Mr. Hepburn is a most bitter and able [illegible]r, and is unable to go into any floor [illegible]n a half-hearted way. He found [illegible] clashing frequently with Mr. Can[illegible] matters of public moment. He[illegible]nged words with the Illinois memb[illegible]f the bitterest sort in the discussion of certain appropriations in which Iowa was interested and which Mr. Cannon opposed. The real clash between the two men came when Mr. Cannon refused to give sanction to Mr. Hepburn's isthmian canal views and plans for an immediate step in the direction of a canal. Following a heated exchange within the bounds of parliamentary procedure the two men met outside the house. Mr. Hepburn showed clearly that he had made the floor fight a personal matter. He was unforgiving toward Mr. Cannon for his show of effective strength, through which the favorite canal measure of Mr. Hepburn was defeated. From that time, while each avoided carefully and disparaging reference to the other, it was well known that they did not speak and were not friendly.

Members of the house generally commented upon the development of the first day, establishing the renewed friendly relations of the two as most favorable for the success of Mr. Cannon's administration as speaker. They construed it as indicating the broad gauge of the Illinois man, who at the moment of his triumph chose for his close associate a man toward whom he was in a better position to show effective resentment than at any time in his career. It is admitted that Mr. Cannon's first overtures toward Hepburn were prompted solely by a sincere desire to see party success in the house.

In Crowded New York.

The tenement inspectors in New York city have found over 325,000 occupied rooms which have neither light nor ventilation.



They Say

Don't be false to any one.

Be honest and act well toward your friends.

Remember that "honesty is the best policy."

There are some peope who are very jealous.

Some people are false to everyone

The Democratic Party is on the out-look for voters.

Georgia republicans should be careful how they throw.

Two new Judges of the Police court will be appointed.

The white people in this country will be convinced that they can not select a leader for the negro

The democratic party is organizing.

Senator Gorman may secure the democratic nomination.

In union there is strength for that reason the white people want an apologist to lead the negro race.

The Afro-American council thing of the past.

There are to be no office holders members of the suffrage association.

Rev. S. L. Corrothers will make a strong president of the new suffrage association.

The sage (?) of Tuskegee will be weighed in the balances and found wanting.

The most successful man in the United States is the one who can succeed.

The colored attney will organize some time in the near future

We do not know it all and it is well to take the advice of our friends.

Think of those who are your friends and who will treat you well.

The Business league that met at Nashville Tenn., was a good farce.

The Colored American that was going to swallow the world of news papers made its appearance last week.

It was a hard struggle for life and when it did appear there were many old faces put in to save composition.

A news paper with a circulation of ten thousand ought to be able to withstand chronic dyspepsia.

Look out for the National suffrage association.

Do not imagine that you are the entire country because you have a little money.

W. J. Bryan is a man who thinks he knows it all.

The Evening Star thinks Booker Washington is a great man.

The Star would have a similar opinion of other negro apologists.

Our contemporary should attend to its own business and allow the negro to select his own leader.

The Bee is of the opinion that the negro race is being betrayed.

Senator Hanna is not at all disturbed It is too early to talk about the national chairmanship of any party.

Let us first select a president then let us talk about a chairman

The Bee is the Colored American of this city and the proper Record of events.

It is no Afro-American but a simon pure negro advocate.

It does not believe in the Plan ets, this is a dark Age that needs a Torchlight that will Appeal to the reasons of the people.

This advice the Guardian needs keep it straight.

The only way to succeed is to succeed.

Let us have qualified suffrage.

There is a division in the ranks of the republican party.

Negroes are easily deceived.

There is a great deal for the negroes to learn.

Why can't colored men unite?

The most successful editor is the one who is able to command the respect of the people.

Have you read The Bee, if not do so at once.

There are lots of frauds in this country.

Lookout for the man who claims to be soliciting cash subscribers for The Bee.

The merchants are warned to look out for a man who claims to represent The Bee.

MET THE REAL THING.

A Female Walking Delegate Runs Across a Woman Who Had No Use for Unions.

A well-dressed, attractive, tall, intelligent-appearing woman recently came to Detroit from St. Louis and began canvassing the city for the purpose of organizing a servant girls' union. The walking delegate wore a suit of the finest black broadcloth with a stylish skirted coat and a fetching hat. Residing in Piquette avenue is a woman who employs servants and who had heard of the walking delegate's efforts to entice maids from their positions.

When the Piquette avenue woman espied the woman wearing the black broadcloth suit and fetching hat approaching the front door the other day the doorbell was answered by the mistress of the house herself.

By a slight subterfuge the Piquette avenue woman led the walking delegate to believe that the mistress of the house was absent. The walking delegate, thinking she was talking to a maid, gave voice to all kinds of advice about not doing this or that, and about striking for higher wages, winding up with



SHOWED THE WOMAN OUT.

an invitation to join the servant girls' union.

After awhile Mrs. Piquette Avenue revealed herself to the walking delegate, and while showing the woman to the door gave her a severe lambasting for meddling with other persons' affairs. Since then there has been a slight falling off in solicitations to join the servant girls' union, which, in fact, does not seem to have materialized so's you can notice it.

Creek Cures Rheumatism.

A sure cure for rheumatism has been discovered in Boyne, Mich. A little creek there possesses medicinal qualities which banish rheumatic pains from all who bathe in it. Invalids suffering from rheumatism go there from far and near, and a dozen baths effect a cure in most cases.

Tender-Hearted Ted.

While looking at an apple tree whose fruit
hung thick and red,
Thus spoke a gentle lad whose name was
tender-hearted Ted:
"How very, very weary of your burden you
must be!
If I had such a heavy load, I'm sure 'twould
fire me.
I think of you at night,
I think of you by day;
And now I've come to help you in my tender-
hearted way.

"And first I'll fill my pockets full, and then
I'll fill my blouse,
And then I'll take the apples home and put
them in the house.
I like to help the apple tree, whose fruit is
ripe and red,
I like to share its heavy load," said tender-
hearted Ted.
"I think of you by day,
I think of you at night;
I'm glad to do my very best to make your
burden light!"
—Annie Willis McCullough, in Youth's Companion.

A Song of Winter.

Thankful fer the winter—the frost, an' sleet an' snow;
We'll tell by cabin fires all the tales of long ago—
The stories of sweet childhood that we all believed wuz so—
Good times a-comin' yet, believers!

Thankful fer the winter—with the folks a-settin' 'round,
An' roastin' of the hick'rynuts, or shakin' of 'em down,
Or singin' in the wagons on the frosty road to town—
Good times a-comin' yet, believers!

Thankful fer the winter—let us sing it thataway!
A merry winter mornin' beats the roses o' the May,
An' there's life an' joy amazin' when we dance 'till break o' day—
Good times a-comin' yet, believers!
—F. L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

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Lovers Have Their Ups and Downs

One Father Prepares Wedding Supper for Eloping Son—Child Wife Caught by Parents and Marched Home, Leaving Bridegroom Lamenting—Double Wedding Results from a "Dare"—Quick Wit Makes a Hero.

NOW there are not many fathers like the following one. It would save lots of trouble of there were.

Young Erwin Rossbach went hurrying before Judge Maes, of Jersey City, the other day with Hedwig Abel, his bride-to-be, and his brother and a girl friend hurrying after him.

"Will you marry us—that is, me and Hedwig?" he asked, as the justice answered the doorbell.

"Just a minute, my young friend," half whispered the justice. "This is most embarrassing. Your father is sitting in the room there, and I suppose you want this kept a secret."

This announcement was a killer of mirth. The young bridegroom's face became as long as a fence rail and there wasn't any more gayety in the wedding party. The brothers and the two young women looked at each other and none of them spoke. They couldn't surprise their friends as they had planned. Instead, it seemed that father had surprised them.

The silence was embarrassing and the justice shifted from one foot to another.



"JUST A MINUTE."

The young people were feeling like school children caught in mischief. Suddenly the curtains parted and the elder Rossbach appeared on the scene.

"Hello, son," he said. "I came out to see why you were getting so quiet after making so much noise when you came in."

"I guess we did make a noise, dad," said Rossbach, younger. "Most fellows feel like it when they are going to get married."

A long sigh from the curtains behind which the other young people had retired proclaimed their presence.

"Well, boy, don't let your father spoil the lark," said Rossbach, elder. "If the bride is pretty Hedwig Abel bring her out. I want to give her to you."

"Come on; dad's game," cried the groom, and out filed the three.

"Well, if there isn't Victor and Miss Muller, too," exclaimed this accommodating father, as he caught sight of the bridal party. "Am I to give away two brides?"

They assured him that there was not to be a double wedding. Then it was seen that father had been not only forgiving, but thoughtful. It was late at night when the wedding was over and it had been their plan to take a midnight train out of town, but father had a better plan. There was a wedding supper all prepared at the home of the justice and it was served as soon as the ceremony had been performed. Father had got wind of the affair and had made preparations to be present and enjoy the merry making.

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No such luck was encountered by Charles McCutchan and Miss Angel, of Evansville, Ind. The young girl was only 15 years old when she eloped with her lover to Boonville in a buggy and was married. The parents discovered the plans too late to prevent the wedding, but in time to pursue and catch the bride a short time after the marriage. Mother, in this case, took possession of the child wife and marched her home, leaving the bridegroom lamenting.

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A double wedding took place the other day in Anderson, and all of it was due to the resourcefulness of the brides. They fairly ran off with the bridegrooms. Miss Bertha Miller dared Miss Nellie Hobaugh, of Alexandria, to "take a young man to Anderson and marry him."

It does not seem that the young men had a great deal to say about it. Maybe they were told what was going to happen, but there is a possibility that all they knew was that they were asked to make the trip. Anyway, when Anderson was reached the young men—George W. Powell, of Warren, and Lester Siebert—were told that they could procure marriage licenses, and they obeyed.

Then the marriage took place and the girls had made good their "dare."

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A bit of heroism on the part of Prof. Albert Hume, of the Winona agricultural and technical institute, has won him a bride. The reward was claimed the other day when he was married to Miss Ruth Thompson, a teacher in the Plymouth (Ind.) schools.

Last winter Mr. Hume and Miss Thompson were sleigh riding, when their sleigh was run down by another sleigh, the horses to which were running away.

Just as the runaway team was upon them, Hume seized Miss Thompson and hurled her from the sleigh into a snowbank. He himself jumped just in time to escape the smash-up that followed. Neither was hurt, though the occupants of the runaway sleigh were dangerously injured.

Mr. Hume and Miss Thompson were no more than friends at the time of this episode, but Hume's brave act won for him the admiration—and eventually the love—of Miss Thompson, and the marriage followed.

Mr. Hume is an alumnus of Purdue, and both he and his wife are well known in educational circles of northern Indiana. Many students attended the romantic wedding.

THE SMALLEST WOMAN.

Is But Two Feet High, But Her Mind Is Active and Her Brain Clear as a Bell.

One of the most interesting little women in the world is Miss Florence M. Tate, of Granite City, Ill. She is probably the world's smallest woman, being but 24 inches in height, while her age is 35 years. She weighs but



MISS FLORENCE M. TATE.

36 pounds. Her father was a soldier of the civil war, being a member of company I, Fortieth Illinois volunteer infantry. Miss Tate is proud of her diminutive size and enjoys answering letters from correspondents. She is very intelligent, has an excellent education and is active in church work, being an earnest Christian, a member of the First Methodist church of Granite City and also of the Epworth league. She is an adept at fancy work, painting, embroidery and the like. She is an entertaining conversationalist, has a most interesting personality and is highly thought of by everybody in Granite City as well as acquaintances in other places she has visited. While conversing with her one forgets her small size, as her mind is active and she has a thorough knowledge of public events.

Good News for the Ladies.

A man's hair turns gray five years sooner than a woman's.



MR. BROWN LISTENED.

Vaccination is now compulsory in France during the first year of life and revaccination during the eleventh and twenty-first years.

Paris thieves, dressed in workmen's blouses and wearing caps similar to those used by men employed in the telephone department of the French post office, call on subscribers and take their instruments away on the pretext that they are out of order.

The question of making the public pay an entrance fee to Paris museums is up again. It is argued that the receipts thus levied will be useful to the administration des Beaux Arts, as an example the Italian and German galleries are given. The Vatican makes $8,000 yearly, the Nuremberg museum a like amount, the Dresden Royal Gallery $5,000, and the British National Portrait Gallery $16,000.

The curious-looking eyeglasses of M. Ribard seem to be gaining favor in France. The lenses, instead of being oval, are in the form of long and narrow rectangular strips, but they are otherwise like ordinary lenses. Their advantages consist in the readiness with which both near and distant objects may be viewed without removing the spectacles. In reading or working the worker looks straight ahead through the lenses, but in looking off he raises or lowers his eyes, seeing over or under the glasses.

FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

Bulgarian Amazons Not Afraid of Turkish Bullets.

Join the Insurgent Army to Preserve Their Homes—Romance of Kristina Petkova, a Woman Soldier of Renown.

In the desultory warfare which is being carried on against the Turk in the Balkans women have come to the front again as soldiers. Among the Bulgarian insurgents who invade Macedonia and raid villages are a number of amazons who are sure of foot in mountain climbing and sure of aim in the fighting which is carried on in the village and on the mountain side.

These women, unlike others who have enlisted in the ranks of armies, do not attempt to conceal the fact that they are women. Some of them wear their hair hanging free to display the fact that they are amazons.

For a civilized or supposedly civilized country, the woman soldier is an almost unknown quantity, and for that reason the fair soldiers of Bulgaria who are risking the perils of an unrecognized warfare against the Turk are attracting attention.

Kristina Petkova is one of these soldiers. The uniform she wears is distinctly a serviceable one—strapped leggins, coarse woolen trousers, and loose fitting blouse, with cartridge belt around the waist and around the shoulders, musket strapped to the back and saber at the side.

There is a romance connected with her service in the Bulgarian ranks of the Macedonian army. Her fiance is a young officer in the same army. During one of the mountain climbing raids which are undertaken to drive the Macedonian peasants into revolt against the Turks he led a detachment against a village where the Turkish forces were found in unexpected numbers. A quick retreat was all that saved the Bulgarian soldiers, but in this flight the young officer was captured, being in the rear of the retiring Bulgarians.

His comrades, having escaped to the mountains, carried the news of his capture to Kristina. In her despair, knowing that there was little chance of anything but death for him, she gathered about her a number of insurgents for an attempt at rescue.



KRISTINA PETKOVA.
(Bulgarian Amazon with an Intensely Romantic History.)

They retraced their way down the mountain to the village and were planning a night attack when the young officer suddenly appeared among them. He had succeeding in eluding the guard placed over him and had made his escape.

The young girl, however, had cast her lot with the Bulgarian cause, and to be with her lover during the campaigns she decided to enlist as a soldier. He protested at first, but finally relented, being willing to allow her to brave the dangers since she showed the spirit necessary for it.

Among the other women who are seeing service in the Bulgarian army in Macedonia are some who are officers, most of them being noncommissioned. Arnoudova is a sergeant, but, unlike Kristina, she is desirous of appearing as a man. In her costume she appears to be a sturdy and good-looking youth of 21.

The character of the warfare being carried on in the Balkans is of a kind which would attract women to the service. At least, it is a repetition of the kind which has attracted them in times past—a repetition of the desultory, but fierce struggles which have been waged with all the greater ferocity because they have been unorganized.

Religion and race prejudices are among the causes which make the Bulgarian and Macedonian troops the natural enemies of the Turks. It is a struggle for homes and churches, and such a struggle always has claimed the most active interest on the part of women.

When foreign policies cause a war it is seldom that women get closely in touch with it, but as soon as homes are threatened they will be found identified with the men. Frontier life in America demanded that the women be as ready with a rifle as the men, and the condition in the Balkans now presents a similar problem to the Bulgarian women.

His Mania Is Invention.

The greatest number of patents taken out by one man have been granted to Frank Schonkee, of Vincennes, Ind. He has patented 6,024 devices of various kinds, and claims to be the most prolific inventor in the country. None of his inventions, however, have brought him a fortune, although he draws a moderate income from some of them.

DRANK HUMAN BLOOD

Story of a Russian Convict Who Had a Strange Passion.

Killed Eighteen Persons to Satisfy His Unnatural Craving and Then Fed Their Bodies to a Drove of Hogs.

The latest Sachalin mail, addressed to the minister of the interior at St. Petersburg, contains the following extraordinary story:

"To Convict 1118, name Kaserski, home Moscow, banished to the village of Chandsa, 18 murders lately committed in the island have been traced and proofs are accumulating that he is guilty of many more. He admits his inability to state just how many men he killed.

"This convict-peasant first attracted the attention of the authorities by the frequency with which he sold fattened hogs. He raised more than any other deported settler. At the same time persons continued to vanish in the neighborhood, and finally a house to house search was decided upon. In the hut of Convict No. 1118 three bottles containing a dark fluid were found. When questioned, he said he used the stuff to grease his boots. The official thought this a lie and ordered the convict to drink from one of the bottles to show that they did not contain poison or explosives.

"The convict complied with seeming pleasure, and the search continued. Something that looked like a human foot was found in the pig stye and, suspicion being aroused, the governor ordered the garden dug up, with the result that 18 human skulls were discovered buried there.

"The convict then confessed that he was responsible for the numerous disappearances, and, maybe, for the death of many more persons—he could not remember how many he had killed during the last three or four years. He claimed that his crimes were due to irresistible impulse, a wild passion for drinking human blood. He said he could not exist without a bottle stored away in his larder.

"At the same time the convict was proud to show that he was not a murderer for gain. The money found on his victims he had either secretly returned to their relatives (which was proven true) or kept at the bottom of his well, from where it was recovered by the authorities.



CONVICT DRANK COPIOUSLY.

"He confessed, though, that he had made good use of their bodies by cutting them up and feeding his hogs on them. The investigation is still continued."

As in Russia the death penalty is imposed only on political criminals, this ferocious monster will be suffered to live, and the czar's order against corporal punishment, formulated some two months ago, will likewise favor him. A further report by the medical authorities of the penal colony says that Convict 1118 is perfectly rational.

Bears Chase Two Hunters.

While Krebs Stewart and Peter Kimmel were hunting grouse in the vicinity of Bear Rocks, on the Alleghenies, north of Altoona, Pa., they unexpectedly encountered five bears, a male and a female, and their cubs. Stewart fired two charges of birdshot into the family, slightly wounding all of the bears. Before the hunter could reload with buckshot, the entire Bruin family was after the two men. Kimmel and Stewart decided to retreat. The bears trailed them half a mile down the mountains before they abandoned the chase. The cubs were leading the chase the last time the sportsmen looked back.

Baby Exchange Agencies.

The practice of exchanging children by parents living in French and German Switzerland, in order to enable their boys and girls to learn another language, is spreading greatly in that country. An exchange agency to further this object has been founded at Zurich. A Swiss child has the opportunity to pick up three languages—French, German and Italian—at practically no cost to the parents. In six months a child is able to converse freely, and is then sent to school to learn the grammar and literature of the newly acquired language.

Some New Uses for Paper.

Several new uses for paper have been discovered. Artificial teeth are made from it; a Lynn shoemaker employes it to make uppers for boots; a Boston manufacturer is perfecting a system of converting it into tall hats, and for years it has been worn as clothing by the Japanese, the seams being pasted together.

DIME NOVEL YOUTH.

When Arrested in Buffalo, N. Y., Willie's Pockets Were Found to Be Full of Weapons.

With a collection of weapons, disguises, dime novels and other paraphernalia that would have done credit to the most blood-thirsty hero of yellow covered fiction, Willie Miles, of Buffalo, N. Y., started for Toronto to imitate the heroes of his favorite literature. The butt of his big revolver was protruding from his hip pocket, and the next thing that Willie knew he was locked up in a cell at the Third precinct station on the charge of carrying concealed weapons.

When Desk Sergeant Potter started to go through the boy's pockets, the patrolmen and specials around the desk came to the conclusion that they must have made an important capture. First, the big .38 caliber revolver made its appearance. Next came a villainous looking slung shot, and then a wig. The policemen formed a close circle around their prisoner, and then a few more pockets were emptied. A glass cutter was discovered. A mustache several shades darker in color than the wig was found in one corner of one of the boy's pockets. The cause of all the blood-thirsty array was next unearthed. In an inside coat pocket was found a collection of nickel and dime novels from which the would-be desperado planned his campaign. The book which was apparently the best read bore the title "Hold-Up Dan's Best Haul, or Old Cap. Collier's Big Mistake." This was apparently the guide book to the young man's intended career.



MILES' START FOR TORONTO.

Miles sat in the cell waiting to be taken to police court, and every time an officer passed he would ask that he might be allowed to have just one of his favorite books. This favor was refused, and the boy had to content himself with a morning paper.

Willie said that he thought he would give up his idea of going to Toronto, and see if he could not secure a place on the local detective force. He felt that his natural talents ran in that direction.

ADMIRED WIFE'S GIFT.

How an Absent-Minded Man Gave Himself Away at an Inopportune Moment.

The St. Louis Republic tells this delicious story of a prosperous business man who had no time to pick out a wedding gift for his dearest friend. So his wife went shopping and purchased a very handsome picture.

"I bought a picture, Jim," she said that evening at dinner, "and sent it up to George Stone's house with our cards. I wish you could have seen it, for I know it would just suit you. In fact, when I picked it out I tried to look at things through your eyes and choose such a picture as you would have selected."

The business man had carried the worries of the day home with him, so he merely remarked: "That's very nice," in an absent-minded sort of way, and let his mind go back to his office again.



"THIS IS A FINE PICTURE."

A week later he and his wife attended George Stone's wedding. It was a small affair, and rather informal. The business man was wandering around in the room where the gifts were displayed, looking aimlessly at the cut glass and silver, when he suddenly stopped before a picture.

"I say, Carrie," he called to his wife, so that every one near him could hear, "Carrie, this is a beautiful picture. I wish we had it in our house. It's a fine bit of work."

Wells Near Cemeteries.

It is against Italian law to sink a well within 300 feet of a cemetery. In Australia and France a well is not permitted within 600 feet of a graveyard.

A SOFT-HEARTED BAKER.

Moved by Woe of a Stage Heroine He Presents Her with a Well-Filled Purse.

Recently a new play was performed in Prague, the principal characters in which are a brilliant young officer and a beautiful young lady, who are in love with each other, but who are unable to marry because they are poor as church mice. True, the young lady has a very rich uncle, from whom she hopes to obtain aid, but she very soon discovers that he is an arrant miser, and will not give her a farthing.

The woes of the lovers touch the hearts of many of the audience, but only one person proved really equal to the occasion. This was a worthy and wealthy baker, who had actually been moved to tears by the distressing scenes on the stage. At last his heart overflowed, and the moment the rich uncle vanished, with a bitter sneer at his niece's folly on his lips, he rushed from his seat to the footlights, and, taking a well-filled purse from his pocket, handed it to the astonished heroine, saying:



"HERE, TAKE THIS."

"Here, take this—you'll find a good dowry in it—and have nothing more to do with that wretched miser."

Every one in the theater roared at the good fellow's simplicity and generosity, but he could not see that he had done anything unusual, and he refused to take back the purse, the heroine, with a smile, laid it on a table, and the play went on.

This Widow Is Cheerful.

A much-abused wife in London made complaint against a drunken husband, who frequently beat her. Returning home at night, she saw him crouching behind the door in the moonlight, evidently ready to pounce upon and hammer her. She afterward discovered that he was dead, having hanged himself to the ventilator just over the door.

BOUGHT TWO UMBRELLAS.

St. Louis Jurist Takes the Prize for Being the Champion Absent-Minded Man.

During a recent storm, says the St. Louis Republic, a notoriously absent-minded lawyer downtown darted into a men's urnishing goods store and bought an umbrella, for which he paid.

The salesman had presence of mind enough not to offer to wrap the purchase up, and the lawyer carried the umbrella as far as the door. There he stopped to note something in a memorandum book, leaning his new umbrella against the wall. His note finished, he started out, forgetting what he had just bought.

Within a minute he rushed into the other door of the same store, demanding an umbrella.

"I thought I had one with me when I left home," he said, apologetically; "but I guess I must have forgotten to take it."

A second salesman sold him another umbrella, which he carried with him. As he was about to leave the store the first man stopped him.

The second man had "got busy" with another customer.

"You left your umbrella, sir," he said, holding up the original purchase.

"Bless my soul, so I did!" cried the unfortunate lawyer. "And I suppose I've gone off with some one else's." So he pushed the second purchase into the hand of the surprised clerk, seized the first he had bought and dashed into the storm again with his purchase under his arm.



"YOU LEFT YOUR UMBRELLA."

"Yet that man is a great lawyer," remarked the clerk, who knew him by sight.

Difference in Icebergs.

Icebergs in the arctic regions are neither so large nor so numerous as those seen in the antarctic seas, but they are usually loftier and more beautiful, with spires and domes. When the sun shines on them they look like a fairy city.

KNIGHT OF THE ROAD

Has Reduced Prosperous Section to State of Terror.

Brigand of the Ancient Type Runs Things to Suit Himself in Italy—One of His Victims Robbed of His Clothes.

A fierce brigand of the ancient type has reduced the neighborhood of Cannes, Italy, to a state of terror. Men, women and children fear to move, while whole squadrons of police scour the woods and the hills in the hope of bringing the marauder to justice. So far their efforts have been fruitless, and each new deed inspires greater terror. He has already killed one man.

The man is an Italian. His name is unknown. He came from Calabria—this has given him his name. Everywhere he is referred to in hushed accents as "the Calabrian."

He came to the district as a bolt from the blue one Friday, entered the village of Vallauris, and broke into the house of one of the chief residents named Layet. Then he stole a gun, ammunition and provisions. Armed, he sought the security of the vast pine woods as his headquarters.

On Saturday night he was seen prowling about Le Cannet, another village. In the darkness he broke into the post office, but finding, most unexpectedly, that two persons were still up, he beat a hasty and safe retreat.

Undaunted, he started out early on Sunday morning, and met three sportsmen, who were out in the woods for a day's shooting. Being armed, he tried to terrorize them, attempting to hold them up. One of the men promptly leveled his piece at the Calabrian, who disappeared in the undergrowth.

Taking to the road, he met a wine-grower, M. Ott. He was wheeling his bicycle up the hill leading out of Vallauris, and was at once selected as a victim. The Calabrian ran ahead, and planned an ambush near the chapel of St. Anthony. M. Ott walked into it and was startled beyond all measure to find himself looking down the barrel of a gun when he turned in the direction of a bush from which the brigand hailed him.



"UNDRESS, OR I SHOOT!"

"Undress, or I shoot!" he shouted, and the wine-grower had to obey.

"Put your things on the grass here—just as I tell you," was the next order. "Take your watch"—it was of gold—"and place it here; now your chain, your morocco pocketbook—all together." They were put down without demur. A purse that held $40, a cigarette case and a knife followed in swift succession, the brigand intimating that he was in a hurry.

"Now your shoes and your hat," said the inexorable Calabrian. Even with this he was not satisfied, and article after article of his attire the unfortunate man was compelled to discard. One or two spectators had by this time come on the scene, but they were too terrified to render any assistance. At last M. Ott was going to take off his trousers when he was told that he would be permitted to retain them for the sake of his peace of mind and his dignity.

The brigand said he had no use for a bicycle, which he could not ride, and allowed the wine-grower to ride away in "light attire."

At Cannes M. Ott at once laid a complaint with the chief of police, and telegraphic orders were sent to all the district constabulary stations for men to raise the hue-and-cry after the Calabrian. He, meantime, after his exploit, made off with the spoil along the crest of the hills skirting Vallauris and Le Cannet.

A Team of Fast Goats.

A couple of large California goats are daily used by Alfred Lewis, of Selby county, Ky. They are harnessed to a light wagon, and he drives them like a team of horses. He lately made the trip from his farm to Danville, a run of four miles, in a little less than 30 minutes.

British Colonial Statistics.

The figures representing the white population of Great Britain's colonies will surprise many persons. The important ones are: Canada, 5,525,000; Australia, 3,860,000; South Africa, 875,000; New Zealand, 815,000; which make a total of 11,075,000 persons.

Long Time Between Rains.

Fair weather prophets are good guessers in Payta, Peru. In that place there is little use for umbrellas, as the interval between two showers of rain is about seven years.

German Bicycles in Favor.

Germany's bicycles are light, fast and durable. She exports more of them than either the United States or England.

COX WAS RESOURCEFUL.

A Thrilling Hunting Story in Which a Man, a Moose and a Haystack Are Concerned.

Fred Cox, of Lowell, Mass., who has been hunting in the woods near Mud Pond, Me., for a few days, left his guide in camp on Monday afternoon and went out on the pond in a canoe to call moose, taking his firearm along in a canvas case. On the further side of the pond he received an answer and continued to call so seductively that a large bull broke cover and began to swim out to meet him.

When the moose was 100 yards away Cox removed the case from his weapon and found he had taken a shotgun loaded with birdshot, instead of a rifle. He paddled within a few yards of the moose and discharged both barrels into the animals side.



DISCHARGED BOTH BARRELS.

Instead of turning to swim ashore, the moose charged the canoe, and Cox had to do some hard paddling to escape being drowned. Finding the moose still vigorous and very angry, Cox led his game toward the middle of the pond, and then turned and paddled to the shore as fast as he could. He succeeded in climbing a haystack before his pursuer could overtake him.

The moose charged the stack and made the hay fly. But the stack was large and high, and Cox, feeling sure that help would arrive in a short time, lighted his pipe and began to smoke. Before the tobacco had burned down he saw that the stack was on fire. Cox was scared then. But he threw burning wads of hay upon the moose until the animal was frantic with anger. Then he slipped down the further side of the stack through the flames, and escaping to his canoe crossed the pond for help. On returning half an hour later with his guide, Cox found the haystack still smoking. Lying nearby with his hair burned away was the dead moose. On cutting the animal open it was found that the moose had bled to death internally from a wound inflicted by the birdshot.

FIGHT WITH BIG FISH.

Two Men, with Gun and Ax, Kill Monster Porpoise After Struggle Lasting an Hour.

John Backman, a fisherman, and Frank Clark, a member of the Sea Isle City life-saving crew, at Sea Isle City, N. J., had a fight with a monster fish about a mile out at sea which they will not soon forget. A huge porpoise became entangled in a gill net belonging to Backman, and the two men, securing a gun and an ax, boarded their naphtha launch and decided to capture the fish.

When within a short distance of the net the porpoise made frantic efforts to escape. Its tail was fastened in the lead line of the net, leaving nearly all of its huge black body free. Clark fired several heavy charges of shot into the fish's head, which caused it to turn upon the boatmen. Time and again it leaped high out of the water and several times barely missed landing in the small boat. Had it suceeded the craft would doubtles have been swamped.



MADE A HIGH LEAP.

Clark finally managed to shoot into the eyes of the fish, blinding it. The ax was then brought into play and after repeated blows the big fellow was killed. The struggle lasted over an hour.

When the porpoise was landed on the beach it was found to measure eight feet in length and to weigh 600 pounds. The skin, which is very valuable, was removed from the fish and will be sent to a tannery in Philadelphia to be made into leather. The oil will also be utilized. It is the largest fish ever captured in these waters.

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THE SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

The suffrage convention which is to assemble here Dec. 14 and 15 should be what its name implies: a convention which will consider the the suffrage, and the suffrage only to the exclusion of every other subject under the sun. The time has come when colored men must put aside petty intrigues and blind tricks and devote themselves to fundamental principles. This convention is called in hope that those who attend it realize the the serious crisis that confronts us, and will devote themselves unselfishly to the cause of the restoration of the ballot to those from it has been taken and [illegible] participate in the proceedings of this convention unless he believes that the ballot is a matter of primary importance in this republic which derives its powers from the consent of the governed. The speeches delivered and the action taken should relate exclusively to the ballot. Those who have called this convention have no time to listen to those who make a profession of skillful concealments or evasions. The convention should have no patience with trimmers, compromisers and apologists. As we said in the beginning so we say now, this convention must discuss and act with reference to the suffrage and nothing else. Men and brethren think of this and act accordingly.

YOU ARE ONE OF THEM .

(From the Odd-Fellows Journal.)

The Negro advocate of Richmonde Va., the organ of the Virginia Suffrage League joins with us in saying that if the Convention which is to be held in Washington on Dec. 14th and 15, is to degenerate into a meeting for self glorification of a few pot house politicians who failures themselves seek a little notoriety by denouncing some one else, then it were better that it be not held.

The delegates to the coming suffrage convention neither want any lecture from the Negro Advocate nor the Odd Fellows Journal, The biggest pot-house politician is perhaps the editor of the Advocate who, after his defeat for Commonwealth attorney for Norfolk, Va., he went to Philadelphia, Pa., where he is now. Had he not have been a pot-house politician he would have remain in Norfolk. The editor of the Advocate is as much a failura as an editor as he was Commonwealth attorney of Norfolk. If he would confine himself to Odd-Fellow matters and let politics alone, perhaps he would succeed better. He graduated in law, has he been a success or a failure? If he had been successful he would not attempt to ed a Odd-Fellows journal. As a politician he has been a failure. As an editor The Bee will leave it for others to judge. The convention will de its duty and if any one deserved to be censured, he will get his dose. The people of this country have as much interest in the success of the Suffrage convention as the Advocate and Journal.

The democratic party should learn some sense.

Senator Gorman made a blunder when he made the Negro an issue.

Commissioner West has appointed more negroes th the r epublican commissioner Mr. McFarland. What does this mean? The Bee said from the start that Mr. West was allright.

Considering the number of Negro prisoners that are brought to the Police court there is not a Negro bailiff there.

Judge Kimball is not confirmed yet. "He who laughs best laughs last.

Col. W. A. Pledger of Georgia wants Mr. Jas. H. Hayes removed as the national organizer of the Afro-American Council. He ought to resign because the only following the council has are the officers, Messers Fortune, Adams and Pledger. The council is just where it started. It has done nothing, ha newspaper notcriety and it is liable to die of apoplexy at any time.

The editor of the Guardian must be very important because he is getting a great deal of free advertisement lately.

Senator Hanna seems to be the strongest man in the country. H is the idol of the party.

There have been more fogus conventions sprung up since the call of the suffrage convention than in the history of conventions

A TERRIBLE PENALTY.

Prisoners Sentenced to Solitary Confinement in France Not Allowed to Speak, Read or Work.

The Law Times makes the following comment on the sentences passed on the Humberts, the notorious French swindlers: "Some of the comments in the press on the sentence passed on Mme. Humbert and her husband (the other pair of culprits came off more lightly) betray a very imperfect appreciation of its nature. Five years' reclusion, or solitary confinement as it is understood in France, is not only a rigorous but a terrible penalty. Our own code offers no parallel to it and it is probable that a life sentence of penal servitude in this country would be far more easily endured. The solitude of the prisoner in reclusion is all but absolute. The strictest silence is enforced. Presumably the consolations of religion—whatever that may amount to in so dreadful a situation—are not entirely withheld; otherwise the prisoner is forbidden to speak, even to his guardian. Books are denied and (which must be almost the worst infliction of all) the most complete idleness is enforced; no employment of any description may mitigate the appalling vacancy of days, weeks and years. Half an hour's exercise is allowed daily, in a hood which covers everything except the eyes. This horrible life in death may end in the tomb, but it is more likely to end in the padded cell of the maniac."

WHAT IS A FLAT?

Tired Woman Defines It and Also Tells How It Is Distinguished from an Apartment.

"Won't some one please enlighten me as to the difference between a flat and an apartment?" plaintively inquired a woman who had just moved to the city at an afternoon tea. Everybody was willing to enlighten her, says the Chicago Tribune.

"Why, of course," said one, with an experienced air; "the flat has a set of speaking tubes and whistles and bells and things. When you want to get in you ring the bell and the door clacks, and you go in before the clacking stops. At an apartment house there is a hallboy to let you in, and usually an elevator and telephone besides—"

"No, you're wrong," came from a tired-looking little woman in a corner. "Those are only mere surface differences. A flat and an apartment may both have none or all of those things. The only real, heartrending difference is this: In a flat, it is not considered a heinous crime to have children; in an apartment it is. That's all. I've been hunting vines and fig trees lately myself, and I know. None of the fig trees I looked at would tolerate my olive branches; guess they don't grow in the same gardens any more outside of the Bible."

CANCER AND LEPROSY.

Forms of Disease That Still Baffle Skill of the Ablest Doctors in the World.

The king of England has shown special interest in the promotion of researches as to the causes and the treatment of cancer, and generous subscriptions have been made for thorough investigations and experiments, says the New York Tribune. Every step forward for the relief or mitigation of human sufferings from this mysterious disease will be welcomed eagerly. Cancer, advanced tuberculosis, leprosy and rheumatism in its worst forms still baffle the skill of the ablest doctors in the world. It is of interest to note, however, that Prof. Hutchinson, of England, who has given many years of exhaustive study to the origin and development of leprosy, is now even more positive than ever before in his conviction that the eating of fish which has become putrid, or in least in part spoiled, is a prolific agency in the increase of the number of lepers. He sets forth arguments in support of his contention which are so plausible, at least, that health officials all over the globe ought to be persuaded to adopt the most rigorous measures to prevent the sale and consumption of sea food which is in the least degree tainted.

FATHER NEGAHNQUET.

First Full-Blooded Indian Ever Admitted to the Priesthood in the Catholic Church.

Until Rev. Father Albert Negahnquet completed his four years' course in the Propaganda college at Rome during the present year there had never been a full-blood Indian admitted to the priesthood in the Roman Catholic church. Since the first days, following America's discovery, this church has ever been zealous in converting the Indians and through education placing them in a position to advance in civilization. There have been, too, many zealous converts, but none has ever before reached the priesthood.

Father Negahnquet was born in 1874 on the Pottawatomie Indians' former



FATHER NEGAHNQUET.
(Pottawatomie Indian Who Has Just Been Made a Priest.)

reservation, near St. Mary's, Kan. Through the untiring efforts of Jesuit missionaries the Pottawatomie tribe, nearly a century before, had been converted to the Catholic faith. The oldest of ten children, Negahnquet, was taken at a tender age to the Church of the Assumption at Topeka, Kan., for baptism. Soon afterward his parents moved with other members of the tribe to the Pottawatomies' new reservation, then in the central part of Indian Territory. He attended the government school for Indians and his teachers encouraged him to go farther with his studies. He therefore entered the school of the Sacred Heart, maintained for the Indians by the Catholics in southern Pottawatomie county, Oklahoma.

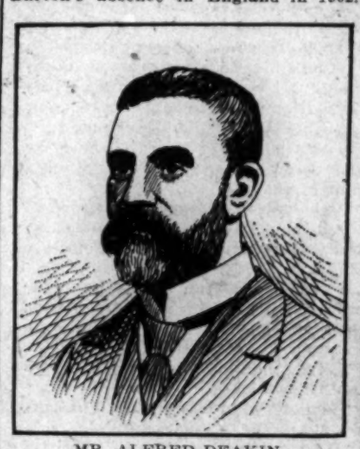
Negahnquet was consecrated to the priesthood in Rome by Cardinal Respighi, cardinal vicar of Rome, June 6, within the Church of St. John the Lateran. He is now at Muskogee, I. T., as assistant pastor of the church and doing missionary work among the Indians.

PREMIER OF AUSTRALIA.

Mr. Deakin Succeeds Sir Edmund Barton as Head of the Federation Government.

The formation of the federal high court of justice for the Australian commonwealth has brought about various official changes. Sir Edmund Barton, who had previously refused the federal chief justiceship, caused some surprise by accepting a judgeship. This necessitated his resigning his federal premiership, whereupon Mr. Deakin formed a new ministery.

The new commonwealth premier, Mr. Deakin, acted as premier during Sir E. Barton's absence in England in 1902.



MR. ALFRED DEAKIN.
(New Premier of the Commonwealth of Australia.)

He is a native of Melbourne, and was born in 1856. His early life was spent in journalism, but since 1879, when he was first elected to the Victorian parliament, he has had an active political career. He took a deep interest in the problem of irrigation in Victoria, and, having visited India, Egypt and Italy for the purpose of studying the various systems of irrigation, he published several works on the subject, and carried out large irrigation schemes in the colony. Like Sir E. Barton, he has been prominently identified with the federation movement.

Death Cancels Old Lease.

The land which forms the site of the town of Gardner, Mass. was once owned by the Hassanamisco tribe of Indians. When the state took the tract to open it for settlement a pension was given to each member of the tribe as compensation. The last pensioner, Elbridge Gerry Gigger, was recently summoned to the happy hunting grounds, and therefore the state will not have to pay any more for the taking of this land.

Comfortable Start in Life.

It is cheering for a deserving young couple to receive a good send-off at their bridal. At the wedding of Sterling W. Childs and Miss Jenny Coffin, in Lynn, Mass., the bride received gifts valued at $250,000. This relieves her of considerable anxiety, as now the devoted pair can start housekeeping in cozy and comfortable style.

The Kangaroo Is Doomed.

The kangaroos are disappearing in Australia. Since 1877 it is stated that 7,407,863 of them have been killed there.

REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

New Isthmian State, Just Recognized by Our Government, Has Area of 32,380 Miles.

The new republic of Panama comprises the isthmus of Panama with many islands. It has an area of 32,380 square miles. It is therefore nearly the size of the state of Maine, which has an area of 33,040 square miles, and is somewhat larger than Indian Territory, which has an area of 31,400 square miles, and South Carolina, which has 30,570 square miles. It is larger than New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut, which cover 31,365 square miles. It is about as large as West Virginia and New Jersey, which combined have an area of 32,605 square miles. Its population is about 285,000.

The capital of Panama is the city of Panama, which has a population of



THE FLAG OF PANAMA.
(The first upper square, to the left, is blue; first lower square, to the left, is white, with a blue star in its center. The second upper square is white, with a red star in its center, and the second lower square is red.)

about 35,000. It is a bishop's see and has a handsome cathedral and five other churches, a charity hospital and a normal and several private schools sustained by government. One newspaper is published daily in Spanish and English. The surrounding country is fertile, but the city has but little trade. The city of Panama is situated on a tongue of land which extends some distance out to sea. The harbor is safe for small vessels; large vessels cannot approach nearer than three miles from shore, and are unloaded by lighters. Colon, formerly Aspinwall, is at the Atlantic ocean end of the Panama railroad.

Colon is 2,000 miles from New York, and nearly equidistant from San Francisco and Valparaiso, being about 3,300 miles from each place. The railroad running to Panama, 47 miles distant, was opened February 17, 1855. A large station has been built near the center of the town. The track runs to the wharf, at which the steamers land their passengers.

SIR EDWARD GREY.

According to Recent Report He May Be Next Leader of Liberal Party in Great Britain.

Sir Edward Grey, baronet, who is being discussed as the coming leader of the liberal party in England, has represented Berwick-on-Tweed in parliament since 1856. He is famous as an athlete, and in 1862 captured two coveted tennis prizes. He was educated at Winchester and at Balliol college, Oxford, and succeeded to the title on the death of his



SIR EDWARD GREY.
(Possible Coming Leader of the Liberal Party in England.)

grandfather in 1882. He was born in 1862. Sir Edward's realty property in Great Britain is about 2,000 acres. He is a recognized authority on foreign matters; was under secretary for foreign affairs from 1892 to 1895 in the Rosebery cabinet and conducted himself in an excellent manner. In a general way he is regarded as a man of infinite possibilities in the future from a political point of view.

Power at the Fair.

The total power generated and used by the St. Louis exhibition will be in the neighborhood of 50,000 horsepower. Over 80 per cent. of the electric energy will be in 6,600-volt, three-phase, 25-cycle current. The largest unit will be an 8,000-horsepower steam turbine, and the next largest a 5,000-horsepower compound horizontal and vertical reciprocating steam engine. The largest steam engine in the Paris exposition of 1900 was rated at 4,000 horsepower.

Extermination of the Clam.

The clam seems to be sharing the fate of the lobster. It is fast disappearing—so fast, indeed, that the United States fish commission is endeavoring to propagate the mollusk by artificial culture. The fish commission has confined its attention to the soft or long clam. The state of New York, on the other hand, is studying the round or hard clam. Both researches seem promising from the results thus far obtained.

PRAISES AMERICANS.

New British Ambassador Pays a High Tribute in a Recent Work of Fiction.

The king's approval of the appointment of Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, British ambassador at Madrid, to be ambassador at Washington, succeeding the ate Sir Michael Herbert, brings to light he fact that Sir Henry, long ago, unwittingly provided himself with a unique passport to the affections of Americans. This is an eloquent tribute to the "fighting blood" of Americans and to the stars and stripes, contained in the last and strongest chapter of Sir Henry's novel, entitled "The Ruling Race," published in 1893. Probably no other Englishman has written such enthusiastic praise of Americans as this chapter contains, and



SIR H. M. DURAND.
(British Ambassador to United States, from a Late Photograph.)

it comes from the lips of the hero, a British officer, in the love scene which is the novel's happy ending.

The novel was written while Sir Henry was home from India on a furlough. A year after being called to the bar, in 1872, Sir Henry went out to Bengal where he was in the civil service, but he was soon transferred to the political department of the Indian government, and gained rapid promotion. In 1879-80 he acted as political secretary to Lord Roberts during the Afghan campaign In 1885 he was present with Lord Dufferin at the conference with the ameer and next year he accompained Lord Dufferin to Mandalay during the Burmese war. After that he negotiated with the Chinese on the borders of Thibet, and in 1892 went on a mission to Kabul. Sir Henry resigned the Indian foreign service in 1894 to become minister to Teheran, and three years ago he was chosen as ambassador to Spain. At this time he and Lady Durand celebrated their silver wedding.

At the time Sir Henry wrote "The Ruling Race" he could have had no definite expectations of ever representing his country at Washington. For the most part, the scenes of the novel describe civic and military life in India. The hero is Col. Henry Russell, a gallant soldier. The heroine is Helen Treveryan, daughter of a proud old Cornwall family. Each has long loved the other, but neither suspects that that love is returned. They discover their mistake in the final chapter, entitled, "Was Ever Woman in This Humor Wooed."

FOUR-LEGGED DUCK.

Queer Bird Recently Hatched in England Is Attracting Considerable Attention.

A duck with four perfectly formed legs has been hatched recently in England. Despite its grotesque appearance, it is enjoying good health and will probably live to start a new race of quadruped ducks. Unlike many monstrosities of its kind, it has every appearance of being a duck, with the exception of its extra set of legs. It has the broad bill, full chest, the wings and tail of the familiar barnyard duck. Its habits of eating, its love for the water, even its quack, are no different from those of other ducks.

The extra portion of legs are attached to the bones of the chest, well forward.



THE FOUR-LEGGED DUCK.
(Unique Poultry Freak Recently Hatched in England.)

The new variety of duck has the appearance of being accurately balanced on its legs instead of the top-heavy appearance common to its species. Another curious characteristic is that the legs are in constant and apparently natural use when it walks. It moves by raising two feet at a time, much the same as a dog. The only advantage the extra legs seem to lend the duck is its greatly increased speed in swimming. All four of the legs are equipped with regular web feet, and all of these are brought into vigorous action. The four-legged duck's motive power is therefore increased about 100 per cent., being comparable, therefore to the quadruple propellers on a modern torpedo boat as compared with the ordinary double or twin screw design.

BOYS AS GARDENERS.

Trained During Summer by St. Louis Society Girl.

Miss Hirred Stevens Has the Right Idea of Practical Philanthropy and Has Succeeded in Carrying It Out Successfully.

In a loosely fitting gown and big garden hat, wielding a hoe with the dexterity of a regular farmer, Miss Hirrel Stevens, a girl scarcely out of her teens, of 4043 Juanita street, St. Louis, has been training 70 boys all summer in the way they should go to become model farmers.

Miss Stevens is a shining light in the social life of the city, where she is one of the prettiest and most popular girls in the youngest set. Her father is Prof. W. J. Stevens, an active member of the Civic Improvement league.

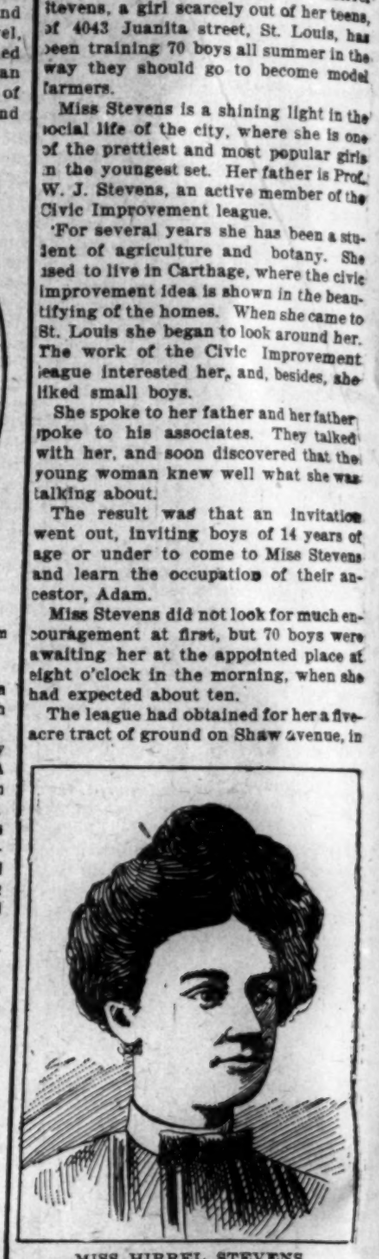
For several years she has been a student of agriculture and botany. She used to live in Carthage, where the civic improvement idea is shown in the beautifying of the homes. When she came to St. Louis she began to look around her. The work of the Civic Improvement league interested her, and, besides, she liked small boys.

She spoke to her father and her father spoke to his associates. They talked with her, and soon discovered that the young woman knew well what she was talking about.

The result was that an invitation went out, inviting boys of 14 years of age or under to come to Miss Stevens and learn the occupation of their ancestor, Adam.

Miss Stevens did not look for much encouragement at first, but 70 boys were awaiting her at the appointed place at eight o'clock in the morning, when she had expected about ten.

The league had obtained for her a five-acre tract of ground on Shaw avenue, in



MISS HIRREL STEVENS.
(St. Louis Society Girl Who Teaches Boys How to Farm.)

the heart of the city, and she had it laid out in little plots, to be planted by her pupils.

With due impressiveness the school was organized under the title of the junior school of horticulture, and the rules, few and strictly necessary, were laid down to the egrolled students.

Then each boy, provided with his own brand new hoe and other implements which the league supplied, went forth and took possession of his lot.

Then began the work set out before Miss Stevens of directing the superabundance of physical energy of which boys are possessed into a profitable education, at the same time to prove that a garden of this kind could be maintained on an open tract of land in the busiest section of the city.

As an incentive to young "hopefuls," Miss Stevens told them in the beginning that they might dispose as they pleased of the produce of their patches, and they set to work with a will.

They came in classes of about 20, from eight to ten o'clock in the morning. Each morning before they began work Miss Stevens gave them instructions for the day either in planting, transplanting or cultivating.

The ground was first plouged and harrowed, and then the boys laid out gardens, 11x165 feet, which they subdivided into smaller plots, most of them 11x12 feet.

They got the soil well pulverized and in condition for planting their crops, and were kept busy all summer in cultivating and weeding.

The youthful farmers and gardeners made enough money from their crops to pay them handsomely for their pains. At the same time they were given a practical lesson in agriculture which will be valuable to them all their lives.

Instead of being idle they were at work—instead of being engaged in mischief they were exercising their muscles in the cultivation of their farms.

Never did boys take more interest in any work. Miss Stevens had not the slightest trouble with them. The young teacher, by taking an early start next year, hopes to get much better results.

Cowboy Ruined by Piety.

Piety caused the ruin of a Texas cowboy. For years he had been a gutta-percha tough, always in trouble. A severe wound in a fight left him at death's door; but he recovered, became pious, and turned preacher. While praying at the grave of a comrade, the preacher was struck by lightning and killed. There may be a moral to this, and it seems to be that reformed toughs shouldn't become preachers, or that they should wear lightning rods up their backs.

Soot Preserves Complexion.

Female mountain climbers in Switzerland, if they are American, French or English, and value their complexions, smear their faces with soot to protect them from the sun's rays.



Miss Blanche Washigton of West Medford Mass. is visiting her mother and sister Miss Sarah Washington of 1757 S st. n. w. Miss Washington is a social favorite in West Medford and Boston where she has a host of warm friends. She will remain with her relatives until after the Xmas holidays.

Misses Eva A. Chase and Marie James spent Thanksgiving in Baltimore, Md.

Attorney R. D. Ruffin left the city on Monday for Cattels Rug, Ky., in the interest of his mining enterprise.

Rev. Robert Johnson is quite ill.

Mrs. L. V. Contee lis quite sick at her home.

Editor W. M. Trotter will be in this city next week.

Col. W. A. Pledger of Georgia is in the city.

Master W. Calvin Chase, Jr., is becoming to be a cornetist.

Mr. Magnus L. Robinson of Alexandria, Va., was elected to the National Suffrage convention.

Misses Gertie Tillis and Emma Lewis were the guests of Miss Hattie Oliver of Baltimore, Md., for a fews days last week.

In the list of delegates to the suffrage convention the names of Revs. D. F. Rivers and R. S. Rives should have been read as above.

Mr. Walter J. Stewart was in town last Sunday, wearing a Benedicts smile. Mr. Stewart and his charming wife nee Miss Ada M. Matthews are domiciled in Hampton, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Miller held a reception on Tuesday evening at their pretty residence 357 C st. S. W. They were married in September and have just returned from Cincinnati, They received quite a number of prety and useful presents. They will be athome Sunday Dec. 6.

Mrs. M. A. Middleton has been indisposed for several days.

Quite an enjoyable evening was spent last Tnusday at the residence of Miss Eleanor Robinson, 520 T st. n. w., by the Ladies Self Improvement Circle. The following are members: Misses Florence and Lizzie Hamer, Mabel McGwiun, Effie Middleton, Dora Jackson, Anna Taylor Lillie Moore, Elenor Robinson, N. Harries Mrs. E. Adams and Mrs. M. Sumby.

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Misses Estelle Langly, Lizzie Hitchen and Mrs. Mary Adams, of Baltimore, Md., will visit the city next week.

Quite a number of Washingtonians attended the Hiawatha Concert on last Friday evening in Baltimore at the Music Hall. The costumes of the ladies were gorgeous, and the Concert was a grand success.

Miss Julia Beard of Baltimore was in the city last Thursday, the guest of Mrs. Simmons of L Street, Northwest.

Miss Hattie Hamer left the city Wednesday morning to take charge of a school in Delaware.

Mrs. Bessie Ricks, who has been ill for several weeks is improving slowly to the delight of her many friends.

Miss Nellie Middleton entertained about Twenty of her friends and school mates at a Birthday Party, at the residence of her Aunt, Miss Nellie E. Morgan, 918 11th Street, N. W., Monday Evening, Nov. 16th. Miss Nellie celebrated her Tenth Birthday. Her presents were quite numerous. There were music and dancing. The guests spent a very pleasant evening. Among those present were: the Misses Bulah Brown, Elizabeth Holmes, Mary King Corena Gant, Edna Sedwick, Lavinla Hazel, Masters: Willie Hazel, Clarence Cabiniss, Harry Benson, John Dogans, Andrew Gant, Tiele Knight and Arthur Harris. Refreshments were served and after the little refreshed themselves they winded their way home.

ANACOSTIA NEWS

Beteleham and Campbell Churches were very successful with their Thanksgiving dinner.

Mrs. Martha Slade, 498 Nichols Ave. has a new line of Notions and Dry Goods in at present. She will thank you for your patronage and support, as this is her first year in business and solicit the intrust of the public in this Afro-Amerieau Enterprise.

The Milliners Glass will give its first ball of the season at Douglass Hall.

Macedonia Church, Sheridan Ave. has made extensive repairs. Rev. Potter Pastor.

He Had 'Em.

Walter—Did uncle see Santa Claus last night?

Carolyn—I guess so. They say he saw almost everything one could imagine.

In Australia Christmas comes during the midsummer season. The mercury may register 100 degrees or more. Families, instead of being united, are divided for this is the time of the long vacation. Still, English traditions are preserved. The Australians have a decoration of their own—a crimson flowering shrub which they colf Xmas bush and which blooms only in December.

Inspired by the Ancient political thought of cheering the Virgin during the pangs of maternity, young men and maidens throng on Christmas eve before her shrines, in Italy and play upon their guitars and mandolins singing songs of praise. It is their part too, to decorate the beautiful old churches most profusely a loving service at which they spend the greater part of the night, refreshed by a collation after midnight mass.

No man of to-day can succeed to any great extent who is not enthusiastic in his business or occupation.

Dr. Fred. Phillips after having passed the board of Pharmacy in Georgia, will return soon and enter into business.

Mr. George W. Mason is doing excellent bustness. He gives very good funerals.

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Bill—How did they come to name that cigar after the comedian, do you suppose??

Jill—Because it's rank, I suppose.—Yonkers Statesman.

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Von Blumer—Who was the listener?—Town Topics.

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MAY DESERT LONELY ISLAND.

Inhabitants of St. Kilda, of Hebrides Group, Said to Be Planning Migration to South Africa.

That lonely island, St. Kilda, one of the loneliest of the Hebrides, is likely to be left lonelier still in the near future. Its inhabitants, it is reported, propose deserting the island and emigrating to South Africa. This is not much to be wondered at, for St. Kilda is one of the most inaccessible islands in the world—only four times a year, once a month in June, July, August and September, does a steamer call from Glasgow. For the rest of the year the inhabitants are entirely cut off from the outer world. Their special mail is in a tin box, into which they put letters, toss it into the sea and trust to Providence and favorable winds to carry it to the shores of the outer Hebrides. The population of the island has gradually dwindled to 75. The last time there was a great exodus was when 36 islanders left in a search

Truthful Child.

"Have you any idea when your mamma will be in, Bessie?"

"Yes, ma'am. I think she'll be in as soon as you're gone.—Chicago American.

All Days Alike to Him.

Wife—They say it is unlucky to be married on a Friday.

Husband—Why do they say "on a Friday?"—Chicago Daily News.

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THE RABBIT SHOT HIM.

Tables Were Turned on Hunter Milton Reynolds When He Laid Down His Gun.

Milton Reynolds, of Livingston manor, Ten-Mile River, N. Y., took his gun the other day and went out after rabbbits. A big one got up, and Reynolds chased it until it disappeared in a hole in the ground.

The hunter laid his gun down, got a pole and punched it in the hole to rout the rabbit out. The gun was cocked all ready for Reynolds to pick it up and shoot the rabbit the moment it came from the hole.

The cotton-tail came out with a sudden rush. Its first bound landed it on the gun. Its fore feet struck the trigger. The gun was discharged, both barrels going off at once.

Reynolds was in a stooping position, his dog near him. He was just far



THE GUN WENT OFF.

enough out of line of the gun to escape the full force of the charges in it, but two fingers were torn from his left hand, his left calf was badly lacerated by shot and his left cheek filled with them.

One of the dog's legs was shot off. The rabbit went on, and is still at large.

In Ireland.

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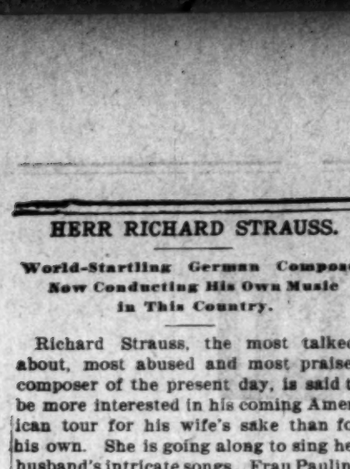
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HERR RICHARD STRAUSS.

World-Startling German Composer Now Conducting His Own Music in This Country.

Richard Strauss, the most talked-about, most abused and most praised composer of the present day, is said to be more interested in his coming American tour for his wife's sake than for his own. She is going along to sing her husband's intricate songs. Frau Pauline was his "discovery" from a musical point of view, and he expects still greater things of her in the future than she has even hitherto accomplished.

The composer of "Guntram," "Till Eulenspiegel" and so many other puzzling combinations of pure beauty and hideous noise is not yet 40 years old, and his romantic marriage with Frau Strauss took place ten years ago. She was his little singing pupil at the age of 15, and married the musician much against the will of her father, a general in the Bavarian army and a man of high social rank as well. Frau Strauss now sings nothing in public but her husband's



RICHARD STRAUSS.
(Noted German Composer Who Is Visiting This Country.)

songs, and the song recitals in America will include no other vocal compositions.

Herr Strauss is not taking his own orchestra with him, but will find the American orchestras ready for him as he passes from city to city. He is an admirable conductor—which is a lucky thing for his music, for there are very few other wielders of the baton who can show how effective his strange and terrifically up-to-date compositions are when once you get the idea of them. The first impression it makes on those who are not skilled musicians is that the man has undertaken to set German grammar to music, but a second or third hearing of it captures the hearer or else makes him an enemy for life.

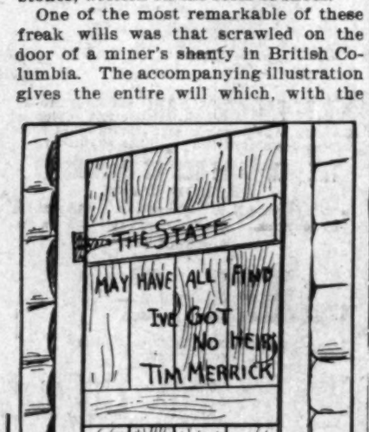
Personally, Herr Strauss—who is not related to the Viennese Strausses of waltz fame—is a simple, earnest-minded man, who has no affectations, wears his hair short, and believes sincerely that music can be made to express the most complex problems of the deepest mind.

WILL ON CABIN DOOR.

Miner Disposed of His Earthly Possessions Without the Least Loss of Paper and Words.

There is fortunately no provision in the law as to the exact nature of the "parchment" on which a will should be written. It has frequently happened that property worth large sums of money has been distributed in accordance with the wish of the former owner as a result of directions left in the most accidental manner. Wills that have proven valid have been found carved on the trunks of trees, scratched upon stones, written on the soles of shoes.

One of the most remarkable of these freak wills was that scrawled on the door of a miner's shanty in British Columbia. The accompanying illustration gives the entire will which, with the



WILL ON CABIN DOOR.
(Shows How an Arctic Miner Disposed of His Modest Estate.)

signature, comprised only 14 words. Tim Merrick, who willed his estate in this highly original manner, was a miner living near the town of Golden. Since coming to the district, in 1863, he had worked steadily, and, it was supposed, with great success.

One day, in 1886, he was found by one of the mounted police lying dead in his little cabin. The place was searched for papers, but none of any special value were found. Merrick's will was discovered, however, written with chalk on the inside of the door of the cottage. It read: "The state may have all they find. I've got no heirs."

The authorities made a hasty investigation of the premises, but without discovering anything, and the search, as far as they were concerned, was abandoned.

Why Romans Were Beardless.

The ancient Romans considered it effeminate to wear beards. All their busts, representing the famous men of olden times, are without beards.

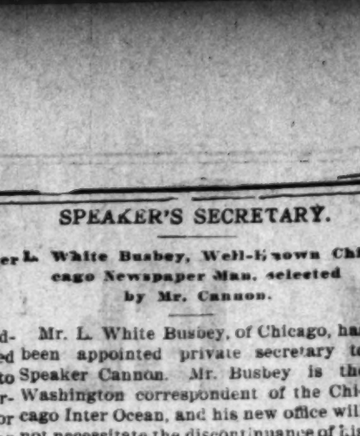
SPEAKER'S SECRETARY.

L. White Busbey, Well-Known Chicago Newspaper Man, selected by Mr. Cannon.

Mr. L. White Busbey, of Chicago, has been appointed private secretary to Speaker Cannon. Mr. Busbey is the Washington correspondent of the Chicago Inter Ocean, and his new office will not necessitate the discontinuance of his relations with his newspaper.

Mr. Busbey is one of the best-known political writers in the middle west. He has been with the Chicago Inter Ocean for 20 years, all of that time, except the period occupied by his Washington service, being devoted to political correspondence. He was familiar with the politics of every state in the Mississippi valley, and enjoyed the personal acquaintance of the leaders of all political parties in the territory his newspaper covered, as well as the friendship of the national leaders.

He held the confidence and esteem of the late President McKinley, and when Mr. McKinley was making his gubernatorial and national campaigns Mr. Busbey accompanied him in his private car. In 1891 and 1892 Mr. Busbey went on the western trip with Mr. McKinley, and accompanied him on his campaign tour from Maine to New Orleans.



L. WHITE BUSBEY.
(Chicago Newspaper Man Appointed Speaker's Private Secretary.)

In 1896 Mr. Busbey was sent to Washington to take charge of the Inter Ocean bureau, until the death of Mr. Wight, and has remained continuously on that work. He is a writer upon economic subjects, a tariff expert and thoroughly posted on American politics. Last fall he edited the campaign hand book issued by the republican congressional committee, and supplied the press bureau of the committee with editorial comment upon national topics throughout the campaign.

Mr. Busbey's acquaintance with public men and measures doubtless served to commend him to Speaker Cannon for the new office. In this position Mr. Busbey's duties will not be clerical, but those of a confidential secretary.

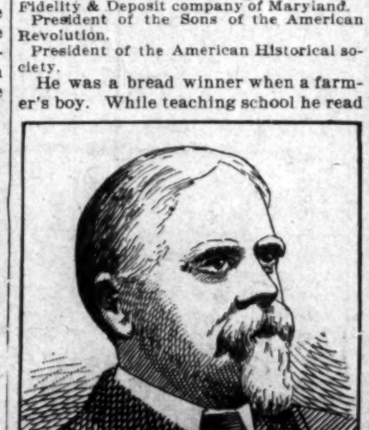
HAS A UNIQUE RECORD.

Hon. Edwin Warfield, New Governor of Maryland, Has Followed Many Occupations.

Edwin Warfield, of Baltimore, who was elected governor of Maryland on November 3, has worked at a greater variety of professions and occupations than any of his predecessors. Here is how he has been occupied at different times during his busy career:

Farmer's boy.
Clerk in country store.
Rural school teacher.
Register of wills of Howard county.
Lawyer.
Country editor.
Business manager of old Baltimore Day.
State senator.
Surveyor of the port of Baltimore.
Chief owner of the Daily Law Record of Baltimore.
Organizer and general manager of the Fidelity & Deposit company of Maryland.
President of the Sons of the American Revolution.
President of the American Historical society.

He was a bread winner when a farmer's boy. While teaching school he read



HON. EDWIN WARFIELD.
(Recently Elected Governor of the State of Maryland.)

law. He completed his studies when acting as register of wills.

When he was a country editor he slept in an alcove in his office and exchanged advertisements for shoes, clothing and ink. He remained a bachelor until he was 38.

If a circle be drawn with a radius of 20 miles and with Oakdale, Mr. Warfield's home, as its center, it will include the birthplaces of more governors of Maryland than any similar area of the state. The circle would extend into Frederick county, which has given the state Thomas Johnson, the first governor under the constitution; Thomas Sim Lee (1779 and 1792), Francis Thomas (1841) and Enoch Louis Lowe (1850). In the circle, and south of Oakdale were born George Howard (1832), Thomas Watkins Ligon, John Lee Carroll and Frank Brown.

In the same region other distinguished men were born, including Charles Carroll, of Carrollton; Francis Scott Key, Chief Justice Taney, Senator Gorman and former Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

Patti's contract for her next farewell tour in this country provides that she shall have five rooms in every hotel where she stops, and that the rooms overhead shall be vacant.

Laura Lang, whose father is a first cousin of Anton and Rosa Lang, the Christus and Mary, respectively, of the Oberammergau "Passion Play," has been engaged to play the role of Miss Kirtley, in "My Wife's Husband" at the Madison Square theater, New York, and is now rehearsing with the company.

Mascagni will need to look to his laurels as the man at work on the most masterpieces at one time. The report now comes that Edmond Rostand, the French author of "Cyrano" and "L'Aiglon," is at his home in Cambo and has seven plays under way. Clyde Fitch, take warning, and get to doing something!

Nat C. Goodwin's supremacy as the head of his own house has been threatened. "It's all on account of my chauffeur!" he moaned, to a New York reporter. "My wife, Maxine Elliot, is playing 'Her Own Way,' and I went around to the stage door like a Johnnie last night. When I jumped out of the wagon the last night he called out: 'Good-night, Mr. Elliot!'" Goodwin has not received a cut like this since Henry Irving referred to him at a London dinner as "Nit" Goodwin.

After serving more than 25 years as conductor of the Apollo club of New York, Dudley Buck, the well-known composer, has retired from that post. Mr. Buck's resignation was not unexpected. Two years ago he had trouble with his eyes and had to give up for awhile his active duties as conductor and more recently there have been signs of waning interest in the club, which made it appear only a question of time when Mr. Buck would give up permanently the musical direction of the club that had been in his hands for so long. John Hyatt Brewer has been chosen to succeed Mr. Buck.

HIS MARRIAGE WAS A FAILURE

He regarded children as a nuisance.
He did all his courting before marriage.
He never talked over his affairs with his wife.
He never had time to go anywhere with his wife.
He doled out money to his wife as if to a beggar.
He looked down upon his wife as an inferior being.
He never took time to get acquainted with his family.
He thought of his wife for what she could bring to him.
He never dreamed that there were two sides to a marriage.
He never dreamed that a wife needs praise or compliments.
He had one set of manners for home and another for society.
He thought his wife should spend all her time doing housework.
He paid no attention to his personal appearance after marriage.
He married an ideal, and was disappointed to find it had flaws.
He never dreamed that his wife needed a vacation, recreation or change.
He thought the marriage vow had made him his wife's master, instead of her partner.
He took all the little attentions lavished on him by his wife as his by "divine right," and not as favors.
He always carried his business troubles home with him, instead of locking them in his store or office when he closed.
—Orison Sweet Marden, in Success.

BUSINESS TOPICS.

National bank notes are one-sixth of the money in circulation.

The banking capital of New York city has been doubled within five years.

The United States treasury holds three and nine-tenths times as much gold as the Bank of England.

During the first six months of 1902 the imports of Egypt amounted to $37,364,045 and the exports to $43,986,656.

According to the Russian customs returns, Germany exports into Russia a quantity of articles immeasurably greater than we do, and of a class in which we could to a great extent compete in that country were greater attention shown to the requirements of the Russian market by our manufacturers.

FROM AN AUTHOR'S JOURNAL.

I am to have a genuine Literary Breakfast this morning:—The cook made the fire with 16 declined manuscripts.

Great event in my life:—my publisher has invited me to dine with him! I do hope my shirt will come from the wash in time.

I noticed my publisher riding by in an automobile yesterday. It's so kind and thoughtful of him to let me see him enjoying life!

I was absent-minded enough recently to kill my hero in the middle of my new novel! Competent critics, however, inform me that my readers will thank me for having done so.—Frank L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

In the Human Race.

A student of ethnology was telling his friend that the Laplanders are of very short stature.

"Can't you be definite?" replies the other. "How many Laps to the mile?"—Boston Transcript.

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NEW IDEAS ON SUNSTROKE.

After-Dinner Work in Stagnant Heat Produces Exhaustion—Women Are the Worst Sufferers.

"Stagnant indoor heat is more oppressive than outdoor heat," writes Dr. F. L. Oswald, in the Home Science Magazine. "Indoor warmth, intensified by stove fires, often approaches the horrors of the Calcutta black hole, or the swelter den of Dante's 'Inferno;' and to that combination of discomforts civilized men doom their sisters and mothers. In midsummer the sunstroke wards of New England hospitals are crowded with male patients, who often have worked only on the shady side of the streets, and with a still larger number of women, who cannot plead guilty to outdoor imprudence of any kind. They have been overcome by the heat, and in nine out of ten cases by the afternoon heat of ill ventilated kitchens and washrooms, dining-rooms and nurseries, by vitiated air cooperating with the exhausting effects of a high temperature, at a time when the resisting ability of the system was impaired by the exigencies of digestion. In other words, sunstrokes and all their premonitory symptoms are the effects of hard after-dinner work in warm weather."

NO MORE BLACK DIAMONDS.

Supply Still Exists, But Electrically Manufactured Article Has Entirely Replaced Them.

The trade in carbonado, or Brazilian black diamonds, which, so late as five years ago, was worth nearly $4,000,000 a year, is at present practically dead.

These stones, first discovered in 1843, are a kind of black, opaque and imperfectly crystallized diamond, found only in Brazil. They are less dense than the white diamond, but actually harder, and were found of immense value for mounting in the steel crowns of rock-boring drills.

It was the electric furnace, worked by the tremendous water power of Niagara, which put an end to the carbonado trade, says Stray Stories. A mixture of sand, coke, sawdust and salt melted together in this amazing heat resulted in the formation of masses of beautiful crystals, ranging from blood-red to pale-blue.

These have been named carborundum. They are almost as hard as the diamond, and indestructible in acids to which the diamond yields. They cost less than a quarter of carbonado, and so have displaced it.

Little Platinum Left.

The $2,142,207 worth of platinum extracted in the Gorotiagodatski district of Russia last year is practically the world's supply of that metal.

one gal in particular what Jean was settin' to, an' how there was to be a gran' weddin' at the New York house, an' a bigger party afterward in this here house down here, an' the weddin'-tower after that, a-sailin' to foreign parts in that yacht you see them Scandinavian sailors a-climbin' all over, an' back ag'in. The talk ran high, an' it seemed for all the world as if things was to come out as they said they would. But you never kin tell; no, you never kin tell. Man proposes, as the sayin' is, an' the good Lord disposes; an' the good Lord had made up his mind, it seemed, that this was to be sort o' diff'rent-like from what they supposed it would be.

"Leastways, along about the last o' May there come a spell o' weather—terrible foggy weather. There wa'n't a night o' that month that the foghorns didn't blow themselves hoarse—blow an' blow an' blow till we was most deaf with the sound o' them.

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How a Statue Started.

Very warlike is the aspect of a single equestrian statue in Belgium, yet there is no cause for alarm, since it is nothing but a tree. Some ten years ago a police officer retired from the force and went to live near Charleroi. Being an amateur horticulturist, he busied himself a good deal with trees and flowers and one day as he was trimming a hawthorn in his garden it occurred to him that it would be a novel idea to train it in such a manner that it would eventually assume the figure of a cavalry officer. At once he went to work, and after ten years' labor he succeeded in transforming the tree into a perfect picture of a mounted soldier. The tree is known in the neighborhood as "Gen. Hawthorn," and hardly a day passes that strangers do not come from a considerable distance in order to view this wonderful example of horticultural art.—Detroit Free Press.

The Last Word.

"She always has the last word."

"Yes; even in church; she always comes in on the 'Amen.'"—Philadelphia Bulletin.



By Miss May Clematis.

Some girls are too fresh.

Do not go alone on excursions.

Every girl should protect herself.

Do not express too much anxiety.

Do not expect to please everybody.

Courtship is of short duration now.

Never introduce yourself to a male.

Do not imagine that you are pretty.

It is in bad taste to admire yourself.

Artifice is like fresh cake it will get stale.

Independence in a girl wi' emand respect.

S. T. You must be able to protect yourself.

Be slow to speak but quick to comprehend.

Self pride will after lead to ridicule and disgust.

When your conscience is right, you need not fear.

Always be on time when you intend to attend church.

What will please some people will not satisfy others.

The honeymoon lasts three days only and hardly that.

O. T. Dresses have been quite pretty this summer.

Do your duty and nothing more can be expected of you,

Everything that becomes other people may not become you.

He will not respect you, neither should you ask to be introduced.

Familiarity should not be tolerated, it will cause you to be disrespected.

Nellie. Deception is very often prevalent in a fickled minded girl,

Norah. Do not be selfish. It is in bad taste to impose upon a true friend.

Paint on the face is vulgar. It readily demonstrates the character of the woman.

No lady will allow a man to walk with her with a cigar or cigarette in his mouth.

Miss E, You should not doubt when you see evidences of affections and of fidelity.

Be what you are and do not ever attempt to make of yourself something else.

Your good senses will teach you whether you are respected by your male escort.

Always keep one thing in view and that is always keep the gossipers tongue quiet.

A good house wife knows how to manage a house and what will please her husband.

Miss O. Do not believe everything that is said to you. It is well to weigh well, everything.

Sadie. Do not imagine that your place cannot be filled by another. Girls are often of this opiuion.

Bessie. Be contented and you will succeed. There are times in ones life that acts become bunglesome.

Miss R. M. Flashy dressing will become some people but what ones thoughts are is another question.

Etta. Friendship can be alianated by coolness and indifference. Some people cannot appreciate true friendship.

Miss T. M. You cannot expect to hold your friends by deception. This suggestion was given to you some time ago.

Ida. How can you expect to demand respect if you do not conduct yourself properly. You ask for advice. Be wise and let your actions and conduct show what you are.

J. M. All work is honorable, and one should never be to proud to do honorable work. Protect your honor no matter where you may be or what you may be doing.

Miss M. You doubt yourself, hence you cannot trust others. You must have confidence in some body. Never come to a conclusion until you are thoroughly convinced, Do not suspicion a friend without cause.

J. A. Take life as you find it. It is what you make it any way. There are people who believe that goodness is in excessive praying. Many hypocrites pray with no meaning or sincerity.

Izzie. Be thoroughly convinced that you have selected the proper person before you give the final yes. It is a life time companionship. Divorces are numerous. Do not marry for the name. If your condition is to be improved and your companion the proper person, marry.

L. E, You are going away for the summer. You want to know what is best to do. It is better for you to go to some quiet country place and rest up. You cannot afford to participate in the gayeties of life if you expect to resume school work in the fall. Your health will not permit you. Take a good rest.

Crossed Links Barefooted

Fascinating Diana Was Game, Although Robbed of Shoes and Stockings While Building a Dam.

THIS true tale is told by the New York World of a certain pretty southern girl at one of the hotels on the borders of the Ammonoosuc river in New Hampshire.

She declared that she hated golf, despised tennis, loathed driving in brakes with a crowd of people whom she didn't like, and decided to see if she could not find some means of enjoyment.

There are fascinating little pools in the river, which are only about knee-deep or less, and in them speckled trout dart to and fro fearlessly. The girl is an expert with rod and line, so after she had spent two or three mornings fishing with tolerable success, it occurred to her that it would be great fun to build a dam and make a little trout pond in which to put her catches.

So, morning after morning she would disappear, where, no one knew.

Finally, being a popular girl, whose society was much sought after by young



"I HATE YOU!" SHE CRIED.

men, her absence began to be noted and people wondered where she was.

One morning she had succeeded in getting away without being seen, and taking off her dress skirt and pinning up her petticoat, she was putting the finishing touches on her little wall of rock that was to make the dam, and plastering it with mud put on with a shingle.

She had just unrolled a strip of wire netting which she was going to put across to prevent the fish from getting out when she heard a crackling in the bushes. She dropped the netting and stood up, her face rosy and a pair of wonderfully slim white ankles and rosy feet showing through the water with all their beauteous curves.

The face of a young man, a guest of the hotel, peered through at her. It was one who, though sought after by the other girls, had not particularly appealed to her because he was, as she said, "stuck up and conceited over his old millions."

In fact, she had rather snubbed him; but now his turn had come.

"Will you go driving with me this afternoon, Miss Murray?" he said. "Your maid told me where you were, so I came down to ask you."

His impudence in seeking her out was more than she could stand.

"No, thank you," she replied emphatically, "I do not care to go."

Snubbed again, the youth hesitated. Then he grew crimson. "I've done nothing to deserve your displeasure," he stammered.

"I hate you," she said.

He saw his opportunity and grasped it, or rather them. When she looked up she saw him departing and in his hand was a pair of dainty patent leather shoes and a pair of embroidered silk stockings.

"Give them back to me!" she shrieked.

"Oh, no," he said, coolly. "To the victor belongs the spoils." And with that he marched away toward the hotel. Here was a predicament. In order to get to the hotel she had to go from there to the front entrance, and to cross the golf links and pass by the tennis courts. Did she flinch? Did she wait until dark? Did she shed tears? Not this girl. She was a thoroughbred.

Stepping out of the pool on the bank, she dried her feet with the towel which she kept concealed there, donned her skirt and marched across the links, past the crowd of tennis players, among whom was her brother. "Taking Father Kneipp's cure?" he grinned; but she blushed and kept on, walking as deliberately as though she were going to church.

Five minutes later she walked past a group of gossiping old ladies on the porch, into the hotel and into the private office of the manager, bare feet and all.

A young man took the next train for the city and a certain young woman knows of at least one hotel where she will never meet him again.

Four-Footed Vagabond

Bum, Canine Tourist, Always Travels First Class, But Never Thinks of Paying Anything for His Fare.

A CANINE tourist with a penchant for beating his way and an assurance which overcomes the innate hostility of trainmen for those passengers who will not pay their fare, is a curiosity probably unique in the history of travelers. Such a curiosity has, however, arisen in Wyoming.

Bum, the globe-trotting dog, comes into history at Rawlins, Wyo., early in July, and temporarily disappears again at North Platte, after adventures extending over more than two months, and after making himself known to all the trainmen and half the ranchers in the intervening 400 miles of prairie country. Bum is presumably not his own original name, though so often has he been called thus that when last heard from he was quite willing to strike up a temporary acquaintance with any one who chose to call him. From circumstantial evidence it is supposed Bum grew tired of aiding a sheep



THE FOUR-FOOTED TRAMP.

herder somewhere on the western plains and decided to start off on his own account to gratify that strange longing for fresh scenes and a wider horizon Mr. Kipling has so appropriately termed the go-fever.

Bum stopped little between Rawlins and Cheyenne, but it took him full three weeks to take in all the sights of the little Wyoming capital and make up his mind to continue his adventurous course. Then he just wandered down to the depot, waited for an east-bound train—he allowed more than one west-bound train to pass him—quietly bounded into the smoker, curled up under a seat and announced with a whinny of delight his complete acquiescence in the arrangements the Union Pacific had made for his comfort. By chance his nearest traveling companion was John Wilkinson, a veteran rancher, of Pine Bluffs, than whom few run as many sheep.

"Bum introduced himself on the train," said Mr. Wilkinson the other day in talking of his acquaintance with the globe-trotter, "by a little whinny, inquiring, as it were, as if the dog were asking my disposition towards him. I called to him softly, not rightly knowing where he was, and he came out from under the seat wagging his tail, as happy as could be to meet me. While I was patting him the brakie passed through and told me of his traveling propensities.

"All the way down from Cheyenne to Pine Bluff Bum was in a fever of delight. He was like a newly arrived homeseeker, peering out of the window as if to gauge the capacity of the country. Every now and then he barked, short and sharp, expressing his approval of the rich range, or howled dismally when a particularly long vista of sage brush came into view.

"I took Bum home, and the next day he followed me up to the near-by pasture and showed himself no mean hand at herding sheep. I was delighted and, aided by my daughters, made much of Bum, thinking I had indeed found a treasure."

For two weeks Bum was happy at Pine Bluffs. He seemed to have settled down once and for all and to have accepted his new master as a permanency. Then all at once he was missing; neither could all the searching avail to locate him. A few weeks later, however, he was heard from. The trainmen reported his appearance on another east-bound train and his journey as far as Kimball, 20 miles away, where he took up with another sheepman, Tom Dinsdale, and again appeared to have found his long-lost home. Two weeks more, however, and he was again on the road, stopping this time at Sidney. Thus by easy stages he did the Union Pacific out of his fare all the way to North Platte, Neb., where he arrived three weeks since and disappeared. Where he is now no one seems to know, but it is held as certain by the trainmen that sooner or later he will make up his mind to continue his wanderings and journey on east till he finds a suitable location for permanent settlement or is stayed by the ocean.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that Bum is a sort of fastidious tramp. He is not like others who beat their way content with brake beams and empty box cars. He demands the best and takes it with a calm assurance which disarms criticism.

THE SUTHERLIN HOME.

Substantial Mansion at Danville, Va. Which Was Confederacy's Last Capital.

The recent serious illness of Mrs. Jefferson Davis has had the effect of creating much interest in the history of the confederacy. Mrs. Davis is one of a very few now alive who were closely connected with the confederate government. The history of Danville as a seat of the confederate government, which is recalled by the mention of Mrs. Davis' name, has a unique interest. On Sunday, April 2, 1865, Gen. Lee, in command of the forces defending Richmond, notified President Davis that the main line of his defenses had been broken; that it would not be judicious for him to attempt to longer hold the fortification guarding the city and that it would be advisable for the government to evacuate simultaneously with him. The government, therefore, went south in the only direction open to it.

The party stopped at Danville because there were fewer federal troops near



CONFEDERACY'S LAST CAPITOL.
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there than any other place offering suitable accommodations that could be reached and because President Davis thought that he could direct a military coup which he had planned to the best advantage from that point.

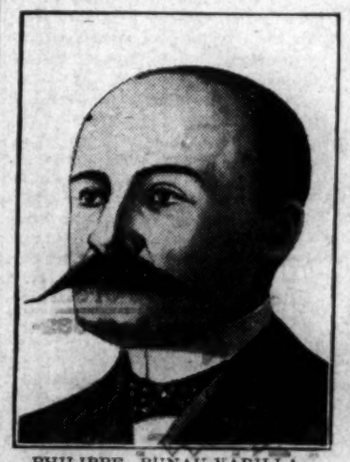
The president and other government officials were upon their arrival at Danville carried to the residence of Maj. W. T. Sutherlin, commandant of the town. For a week thereafter the Sutherlin residence was the capitol of the confederate states.

The occupancy of the capitol by the president and his cabinet members ceased even more abruptly than it began. On Monday morning, April 10, information reached Danville of the surrender of Lee on the previous day. Circumstances made the immediate evacuation of the place necessary. It is a historic landmark, that old mansion, and its appearance is in keeping with its history? A large, square stone structure, with wings on both sides, it is set far back in grounds having a frontage the width of the entire block. It looks at the same time neat, trim and substantial. It has an almost human expression of cold, aristocratic dignity, however, that cannot fail to impress even the most casual beholder.

ENVOY FROM PANAMA.

M. Bunau-Varilla, Recently Received by the President, Is an Engineer by Profession.

Philippe Bunau-Varilla, who was officially received by President Roosevelt the other day, is the envoy extraordinary of the new Republic of Panama. He is by profession an engineer, was a classmate of the celebrated Capt. Dreyfus, and is said to be a stockholder in the Panama Canal company. Mr. Bunau-Varilla is credited with having managed the sale of the canal rights to the United States, and, further, with



PHILIPPE BUNAU-VARILLA.
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having promoted the revolution that has cost Colombia a big slice of territory. He is Parisian to his finger-tips, suave and conciliatory, and always in earnest.

Potato Explodes Like Gun.

"The report of the explosion was fully as loud as that of a shotgun," is the statement made by W. A. Routson, Jr., of Wooster, O., a man who for many years held a responsible position with the Pennsylvania lines, in telling of a peculiar explosion at his home in which the members of his family were given a great scare, but escaped injury. The household had just taken seats for dinner. Mr. Routson helped himself to a large sweet potato, and as it touched his plate the potato exploded, throwing the hot meal all over the room and making such a noise as to cause all about the table to become terribly frightened. What caused the potato to explode is a mystery. One theory is that in shipment it came in contact with dynamite, a part of the explosive working inside.

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SQUELCHING A MASHER.

This Girl Did It by Accepting His Escort and Guiding Him to a Police Station.

When a "masher" wants to see you home you should, not treating him with dignity and disdain, accept his attentions. Then, instead of guiding him to your abode, steer him to the nearest police station. This is the theory and practice of Miss Lizzie Burgess, of 624 Foster street, Evanston, Ill.

"Even flirt with him," she says.

Miss Burgess had a chance to put her theory into practice the other evening, says the Chicago Inter Ocean, with the result that Charles Scott, who is said to have attempted to flirt with her, occupies a cell in the Evanston police station.

Miss Burgess had been visiting friends last evening, and was walking



"MAY I SEE YOU HOME?"

in Emerson street on her way home. As she reached Maple avenue a man turned the corner and followed her. She gave no heed to the man's remarks until she reached Sherman avenue and Emerson street, about two blocks from her home.

She waited until the "masher" reached her.

"May I see you home?" asked the "masher."

"Certainly," said Miss Burgess, sweetly, but instead of going north on Sherman avenue toward her home, she started south, with the Evanston police station as her destination.

The man waited outside while Miss Burgess entered the police station to "see a friend."

"There is a 'masher' outside whom I wish you would take care of," she told Sergt. Waldron.

The policeman accompanied the young woman outside and she introduced him to her escort. He took the "masher" inside and placed him in a cell.

Hope for the Grayheads.

Exposure to the X-rays has restored to its natural color the gray hair of Dr. K. D. Hawley, of Columbus, Ind. The same treatment had the same effect on one of Dr. Hawley's patients.

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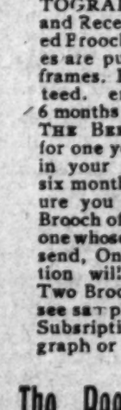
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DOG ADOPTS CHICKENS.

Young Fowls Desert Mother Hen to Live in Peace and Comfort with a Setter.

Councilman Wilfred F. Harrison, of Bloomfield, N. J., is the possessor of a setter dog answering to the name of "Vic," which has adopted a brood of game chickens.

Vic formerly kept the neighbors awake at night, but since he has formed



VIC WAGGED HIS TAIL.

the acquaintance of the chicks he has given up making the night hideous, and spends the greater part of his time taking care of his new friends.

Vic's master put an old hen, with her coop and brood of chickens near his kennel. Every time a chick came near his kennel Vic wagged his tail and in other ways took pains to show his friendship.

Several of the chicks took to the dog, and finally the whole brood deserted their mother and went to him. Vic now chews his bone, and allows morsels to drop to the ground, where the little chickens can feast on them. At night the chickens snuggle close to his warm body in great contentment.

Marvelous Head of Hair.

An extraordinary head of hair is possessed by Mercedes Lopez, the wife of a poor sheep herder in San Vicente, Mexico. Her height is five feet, and when she stands erect her hair trails on the ground four feet eight inches. The hair is so thick that she can completely hide herself in it. She has it cut very frequently, as it grows so quickly, enabling her to sell large tresses to hair-dealers every three or four months.

Have You Wisdom Teeth?

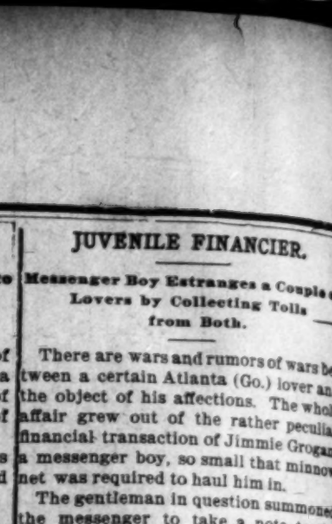
Professional criminals are usually destitute of wisdom teeth. So says an Italian scientist.

JUVENILE FINANCIER.

Messenger Boy Estranges a Couple of Lovers by Collecting Tolls from Both.

There are wars and rumors of wars between a certain Atlanta (Go.) lover and the object of his affections. The whole affair grew out of the rather peculiar financial transaction of Jimmie Grogan, a messenger boy, so small that minnow net was required to haul him in.

The gentleman in question summoned the messenger to take a note to the lady, requesting her presence at the theater last night. He paid the messenger boy and dispatched the note. James, with the genius of a Pierpont Morgan, believed in getting money coming and going. He collected an addition fee from the lady, who liked not the idea of paying for the invitation. She telephoned the young man, and there was some warm things said over the wire. The lover tore his hair, and ended up by hav-



COLLECTED DOUBLE FEE.

ing Officer Moncrief arrest the messenger boy.

Young James Grogan was too small to be sent to the stockade. His mother, however, agreed to chastise him in the presence of the officer, and the financial genius was whipped good and sound. Further developments from the couple in the way of a reconciliation are awaited with interest.

Rats Liked the Don's Wine.

Don Caspar Oreona, of Santa Barbara, Cal., has a well-stocked cellar of various rare vintages. The rats must have learned in some way that the wine was of the best quality, for they gnawed the corks in several casks to get at the beverage, and the liquid poured out on the floor. What remained in the vessels soured from exposure to the air. Thus the owner suffered a loss of 10,000 gallons.

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